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AVALANCHE,

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Mike McCoole has gone into training under the care of Tom Kelley.

Rich deposits of copper have been discovered near Warrensburg, Missouri.

Indianians are addicted to opium-eating, which accounts for the drowsy state of public morals in that State.

St. Joseph, Missouri, is excited over the sudden disappearance of a Dr. Beaumont.

A compromise has been effected between the miners and employers in the Scranton coal region.

The Democrats of New York are working hard to throw Belmont overboard.

It is noted as singular that none of the leading women's rights reformers of England are mothers or fathers.

Boston and New York were greatly excited over the result of the International Boat Race.

Ground was broken at Carondelet on Thursday for two more furnaces. A large number of citizens participated in the ceremonies.

R. F. Sproule, formerly editor of the Evansville *Courier*, has been arrested at Indianapolis on a charge of conspiring with Perry Fuller and others, to defraud the Government.

The Supreme Court of Georgia, now in session at Savannah, has just rendered a decision that notes given as a consideration for slaves are not recoverable by law.

A gentleman in Missouri has received a letter from Chief Justice Chase, in which he announces that he is out of all political movements for the future.

A man named Stout killed one Crawford with an ice pick, at Bloomington, Indiana, Tuesday last. Disagreement at card playing brought about the tragedy.

The battlefield of Bull Run is the only battlefield of consequence that has not been changed since the war. The forts, the monuments, the stockades and the desolation remain as the soldiers left them.

Running away with coachmen appears to be getting a mania with the girls, and although the former are accustomed to the box, it does not prevent the latter getting in a box, too, sometimes.

Some Mississippi negroes sent to the Treasurer of the Lincoln National Monument, between two and three hundred dollars worth of neat-looking Confederate money as a contribution to that object.

The Supreme Court of North Carolina has just decided that intermarriage between a member of the colored race and a member of the white race is unlawful, and therefore void, according to the laws of that state.

In 1848 Chicago had 18,000 inhabitants, and now claims 300,000, which would show the city to have doubled geometrically in about five years. An enthusiastic chronicler of its advance believes that Chicago will have a million of people in 1888.

One of the channel spans of the bridge over the Ohio river at Louisville, three hundred and seventy feet long, was completed Thursday. This is the longest span of a truss bridge in this country. The whole of the bridge will be finished in the early part of November.

Maryland newspapers are filled with complaints about the drouth, and the blighting of the corn, potato and tobacco crops, and say that even trees appear to be dying. Frederick City is on half rations of water. Frostburg is similarly situated, and the Chesapeake and Ohio canal is very low in some of the levels.

A test case recently decided in the Supreme Court of Maine sustained the right of a married woman to hold the trust of executrix or administratrix; therefore the law is that a woman already married, although the trust had been exercised by her, and was ended by the marriage, may immediately thereafter be reappointed to it.

Commissioner Delano has directed that Assessors throughout the country shall immediately make a survey of the distilleries in their respective districts, with the view of determining the exact condition of the establishments prior to the enforcement of the revised regulations, which are to be issued in a few days.

The new Jewish Synagogue at St. Louis was dedicated on Friday, with very imposing ceremonies. The edifice is one of the most costly in the country, and the Society to which it belongs, known as the "Gates of Truth," have adopted all the latest changes in their forms of worship. Family pews are introduced, and men sit with uncovered heads.

A further examination of the dispatch relating to the pretended rejection of the Chinese treaty at Pekin, shows still greater evidence of its untrustworthiness. Bearing date August 4th, at Hong Kong, if genuine, the news must have been at Shanghai at the time the Pacific mail steamer left for San Francisco. It is, therefore, believed we should have had it via California.

The report received at the Department of Agriculture since the 1st of August indicate a decrease of the corn crop in comparison with the products of 1868. The diminution of the corn crop in some sections is partly made up by an increased product in several States, including New Jersey Pennsylvania and Delaware, and the gross increase of the cotton crop will be diminished by a reduction in the product of North Carolina, Tennessee, South Carolina and Alabama.

PLEASANT HILL.

Able Speech of Dr. McCargo.

Condition of the Country—The Demands of Progressive Civilization and the Necessity of Stable and Strong Government—The Benefits of Restoration.

Dr. W. H. McCargo delivered an address at Pleasant Hill, DeSoto county, Mississippi, on the 14th instant, on behalf of the project to build a High School in connection with a Masonic lodge at that place, which we publish by request of the large audience in attendance. After some remarks pertinent to the occasion and the object in view, Dr. McCargo spoke as follows, in reference to the condition of the country and the great political questions agitating the people:

* * * But the chief difficulty in an enterprise of the character of the one under consideration, at this particular time, is the want of confidence on the part of the people in the new order of things. Very many good and intelligent Southern men, having been raised up under a totally different state of things, utterly refuse to see their way out from amid the ruin and rubbish which so suddenly and so unexpectedly overwhelmed us all. They seem determined to look only upon the lingering shadow left in the valley by the dark cloud as it rushed on in its mad career, whilst all the world around them are lit up by the cheering beams of a new era dawning upon us all. Change—mutation, is the great law of nature. Seasons change. The wintry blast and ice-bound shore are hushed and unlocked by the gentle showers and genial rays of spring time. The opening rose-bud, that wastes its sweetness on the desert air, withers and dies under the scorching beams of a summer's sun. Ripening harvests are gathered in under the cloudless skies of autumn, and winter returns again to lock up all nature in her icy sepulchre. We were yesterday, nor will we be to-morrow what we were to-day. Governments, fellow-citizens, are not exempt from this universal law of nature. And despite all that has been said by political writers, from Plato to Aristotle, from Sydney and Russell, from Junius and Wilkes, down to Paine and Jefferson, men will ultimately seek that political form of government that throws the most efficient safeguards around the rights of persons and of property, and establishes the social order on foundations not to be shaken by every breath of popular commotion.

THE LAW OF CHANGE.

Now, these great objects of civil society have been obtained under very different and diverse forms of government. And what to-day would suit one people might not suit another, and might be altogether and wholly inapplicable to the same nation, in different stages of civilization and progress. Such is the law of change, and such, in fact, has been the history of our own government. Starting out with the political axiom "that governments were created by and for the benefit of the people," the first Union formed by us was purely voluntary, and unwritten. This voluntary and unwritten Union, held together by the fearful exigencies of the hour, was amply sufficient to enable the Continental Congress to maintain the struggle for independence, until its establishment amid the crowning glories of Yorktown. This great event, having removed the pressure that brought about the Union, the Continental Congress found itself at the head of a government wholly inapplicable to the then new order of things. This state of things necessitated a change, which resulted in our second form of Confederation. This the Articles of Confederation, with its thirteen singular nondescript, with its thirteen heads, of the snapping turtle order, and without either body or soul, had for its groundwork a written constitution, and was made perpetual in duration. A form of government which divided its sovereignty between thirteen independent States, leaving none for itself, was certain to result in endless bungling and inefficient service. This was the work of many men, and was the ingenuity of man ever devised by the genius of man. It fell ingloriously, in a shorter period of years than it had representative men, "unwept, unhonored, and unsung." This brings us to the third crisis in our civil history, in which the Government was merged into a "more perfect union, as embodied in the Constitution of 1787.

DEMANDS OF PROGRESSIVE CIVILIZATION.

Now, we have always been told that this Constitution which we lived under for over seventy years, was the very embodiment and perfection of all human wisdom; that it was framed by the wisest men that ever lived, and that it at once constituted the most perfect form of government the world ever saw. And yet, it has utterly failed to subserve the purposes for which it was created, and, like its predecessors, it has "gone glimmering through the mist of things that were." And then, may I not ask, has there been forms of government passed so rapidly from the stage of active operation? Unquestionably it can only be from some radical defect and want of ability to meet the demands of a progressive civilization; otherwise we might deny the capacity of man for self-government. Ours is a democratic government; ultimate sovereignty resides with the people. Now, if these rapid changes have been made from mere fickleness and want of proper consideration, then we prove that man is incapable of self-government—a proposition that I do not hold in any sense whatever.

INDIVISIBILITY OF SOVEREIGNTY.

We must then look to other and higher causes than these latter, for a proper solution of this great question. And if in its investigation I shall come in conflict with the pride of previously conceived opinions or the traditional prejudices of others, I can only regret it, but must not suppress the truth, as I conceive it to be. It has already been stated that these changes in government could have originated from no other causes than from some radical defect and want of ability on the part of government to meet the demands of a progressive civilization. Then, in what did this defect and want of ability consist? I answer unhesitatingly that it consisted in that *division* of sovereignty which the Constitution left unadjusted and undefined between the *States* and the *Federal Government*. Here was to be found the great fundamental defect in our former system. And from this prolific source of evil may be traced all our difficulties and all our misfortunes. Him who will examine carefully our history, from the beginning of that great conflict which ended in the subjugation and ruin of our own section, will find that this pestiferous spirit of evil had thrust itself into every department of government, sowing the seeds of discord, distrust and disturbance. Nor need we be surprised at this, for there is no axiom in politics, no principle in governmental science more fundamental and demonstrable than that sovereignty is *indivisible*, and that it must reside somewhere in the State as a unit. The success of all Governments, ancient and modern, have been predicated upon this great fact. What is it that has made the old Mother country—England—the pride and boast of the nineteenth century? Unquestionably it was the steady recognition under all her revolutions, miracles and reforms of this great fundamental truth, and from it has she derived that character of unity, vigor, competency and concentrated strength, which, in the splendid march of empire, has enabled her polity to subdue kingdoms, found dynasties, stand at the head of the world's civilization, control the opinions of enlightened christendom, plant the banner of liberalism and constitutional freedom on the battlements of despotic power, and make the sun in its course around the earth, and fill the whole world with one uninterrupted strain of martial music.

To one unacquainted with the history of our country it might appear almost incredible that men so astute as our ancestors unquestionably were, should have overlooked a principle of unity so apparent, and so indispensible to the life of the nation, as the one under consideration. But it must be recollected that governments are not built alone upon paper constitutions, or declared by mere acclamation; that time must come in the appointed course of nature and follow the path of precedent conditions.

We have seen the utter failure of our second form of government, as it appeared under the articles of confederation. This was due, doubtless, to the unwillingness on the part of the States to yield any part of their sovereignty to the General Government for the common good. Now the same feeling of distrust and jealousy operated largely into the convention that framed the Constitution of '87; and, notwithstanding the fine-spun eulogies we have all heard so often pronounced upon that famous instrument—its nice checks and balances, its nice equipoise of powers between sovereign States and sovereign Government, and all that—yet I doubt not that if the truth could be known, there was not a single individual member of that Constitution who approved the Constitution in all of its parts. The fact is, gentlemen, it was but a mere compromise between opposing sections and conflicting powers of State and Federal jurisdiction, the best that could have been made at the time, it may be, but suited to no one. Mr. Jefferson said that General Washington had no confidence in it; and time has vindicated the wisdom of the great patriot.

DOCTRINE OF SECESSION.

Then the question naturally comes up, why was it that the States so pertinaciously refused to cloth the National Government with the supreme sovereignty of the people? There can be but one answer to this question—it was because they intended, from the first, to break up the government if the concern did not suit them by withdrawing from it at their pleasure. No one acquainted with facts can doubt this. Virginia and New York asserted the right at the time they accepted the Constitution. As early as 1814, feeling the pressure of the war then being waged against Great Britain, New England, in convention assembled at Hartford, boldly claimed the doctrine of secession, and would have probably carried it into practical effect had it not been for the sudden closing of the war. Georgia, during the administration of the younger Adams, defiantly and successfully resisted the Federal Government in her Indian policy. South Carolina, in the days of Jackson, in solemn convention assembled declared the laws of Congress *null* and *void*. But it was reserved to us, in our day and time, to carry into effect these fatal errors, and by so doing inaugurate a war the most gigantic the world has ever seen—whether considered in point of numbers, immensity of resources, splendor of military genius, or devotion, endurance, and bravery on the part of the private soldier.

ULTIMATE EFFECTS OF THE WAR.

Now, we all know the result of that war, but we are not all agreed in regard to its ultimate effects. To me there is a silver lining to the cloud. And strange as the assertion may seem to some of you, I give it to-day, as my deliberate opinion, that in many respects, we have a better government under the new order of things than we ever had before. Under the old constitution, as I may now properly designate it, the exactions of the States, both North and South, knew no bounds. It was the perpetual source of strifes, contentions, and bickerings throughout all our history—and like the armed men that sprang to life by the sowing of the dragons teeth by Cadmus, it knew no abatement until death closed the scene. The best interest of the country, the rights of the citizen, and every high and patriotic consideration were subordinated to this fell spirit. During the last war with Great Britian the flag of the nation was made to trail in the dust at the bidding of this insatiate monster, and the then President of the United States, the illustrious Madison, was compelled to conclude an ignominous treaty with that haughty power, to save his own country from dismemberment; and now, before our eyes, are living in ruins one-third of the States, and yet men cling to these old forms as the very acme of perfection in government.

STABILITY OF GOVERNMENT.

Now, government to be valuable must be stable—possessing not only the ability to protect itself against internal foes, but the power to guard against and regulate internal disturbances, thereby protecting the citizen in his rights of person and property. Without this government is a failure. Now, I can a government like our former one, where part of its sovereignty was lodged with the States and part with the Federal government, ever accomplish this end? I answer emphatically no; and appeal not only to the history of all other governments, but to the history of our own, for the truth of the assertion. But the war has changed all this and now, instead of jarring elements of strife and discord between States and sections, and between government and States, the National Government stands out in bold relief, as the supreme embodiment of the nation's sovereignty—a stable form of government the world has yet seen. This is the silver lining to the cloud, which is soon to dispel the long, long night of darkness and suffering, and lift the Southern people to a higher state of civilization and prosperity than they have ever yet attained.

THE DUTY OF THE HOUR.

Under these circumstances, gentlemen, it then becomes our highest duty as Mississippians to avail ourselves of the first opportunity of restoring our beloved State to its proper relations with the Federal Government. The State once more in the Union, and our government fully organized, and the laws again administered by men who have at heart the interest of the country and the peace and good order of society, we should all breathe freer and our energies quickened; sleeping capital invested; industry stimulated. In short the mere work of reconstruction would immediately inaugurate a marked improvement in every department and pursuit of life.

EVIL OF SLAVERY.

Among the notable results of the war not the least in value may be counted the lifting of that deadly inherited incubus, which had been so long weighing down the strength, wearing out the energies, and exhausting the resources of the whole country—I mean, that miserable substitute for a labor system—African Slavery. Certainly, in no part of the globe was there ever such natural advantages enjoyed as was vouchsafed to us in this lovely clime of ours. The exceeding richness of the soil, the entire monopoly of the productions of the great staples of trade and commerce; the great variety of fruits and flowers, the mild and salubrious climate, the soft magic of streamlet and hill, and the Eden-like spirit of repose and romance that veils the land of the South, make up a picture of realizations, hardly inferior to the fabled famed gardens of Alcinous, or to the golden orchards of Hesperides; and constitute ours, at once the most desirable spot on the green earth. Now, to this land of such surpassing loveliness, millions of intelligent people from every civilized nation under the sun, would have long since sought homes; and we would have been today, had it not been for this fatal curse, the wealthiest, the happiest, and the most prosperous people on the face of the globe.

Under the old order of things, gentlemen, you could not have succeeded in your present proposed enterprise. It has often been tried, and almost always resulted in failure, for the very substantial reason—the want of local patronage. In those times, one man to occupy two or three sections of land. One of my adjoining neighbors occupied five, and I know one man in Mississippi who owned one hundred. Now, these men did not want your school. They had no use for a local schoolhouse—their children were taught by a private teacher—mostly from the North. When their sons became old enough they were sent to Princeton, Harvard, or Yale, and the daughters to some fashionable French boarding school in Philadelphia or New York. Nor did these gentlemen want the intelligent mechanic, the honest laboring man, or the fair-dealing country merchant who was willing to work for small profits. He had no use for any of these classes—which constitute, indeed, the bone and sinew of every thriving community. If he wanted a fine carriage or buggy, he either sent to Cincinnati or Newark; if he wanted a carpenter, blacksmith or wheelwright, he bought him; if he wanted a bill of goods, he ordered from New Orleans, Memphis, St. Louis or New York; and thus it was that the country was stripped of its intelligent, educated labor, and that vast crowd, "the toiling millions," were as effectually kept out as if we had been surrounded by a wall of fire reaching to the skies. Under such a state of things there was no necessity for high schools, for the few children scattered here and there over the country were either too rich or too poor to attend them.

RESTORATION AND PROGRESS.

But all this too has changed. Let the State be restored to the Union and you will find that it will be but a few years before your hill-tops are again waving with golden grain, your rich valleys whitening under the snowy fleece of your great staple, and all nature animated with the sound of the blacksmith's hammer, and the clatter of the machine shop, and the roar of the cotton mill. This is the inevitable law of demand and supply. Labor seeks ever the demand is. It never came here before because there was no demand; now that there is a demand, it will come as certain as effect follows cause—we need have no fears upon that subject. And these, too, are the men to build up not only your waste places, but your lodges, your school-houses, your churches, and every other great interest of the community, and are exactly the sort of men that I desire to see in our midst. If a man be rich, he may live as he pleases. If poor, he must work. Now, I love a laboring man—I love that man who can lift himself above the frowns of fortune, by his own honest labor; it is with pride that I look upon him; it is manly, independent, honest face. I clasp his hardy, sunburnt hand with absolute affection; he is the man after my own heart, and deserves as much credit, in his sphere, as any one else. Then, with this great future opening up before us, all must see that this move is in the right direction. Listen not to croakers; they will tell you that everything is going to ruin; they always say that; they always have said it, and they are everywhere. Dr. Franklin found them in Philadelphia. When he went to that great city—then but a village—he found them there, and since, in every thriving community. Indeed, I remember, some time before the first enfranchise law, but who were deprived of the right of voting by the second enfranchise law and by executive proclamations should be admitted to vote. This admitted 40,000 votes, that had been heretofore kept out. As for the charges that the election was carried on by appointing corrupt registrars, they are absurd. I appointed the best men I could find. Indeed, I removed registrars in Wilson and several other counties, whom I knew to be strong advocates of my election, because they refused to issue certificates according to law, as fixed by the Supreme Court decision. Among others I removed a registrar whom I found selling certificates to whites and blacks alike for twenty-five cents apiece. Was the removal of such a man a "fraud?" Why, all the charges of fraud in the world cannot change the actual result of the election. In the Calf-Killer district, where Stokes fought his only battle during the war, and got whipped at that, he didn't get a single vote. He was beaten in his own county. In his own Senatorial district, in fact, beaten in every Congressional district. In his own district, Brooks, the "restrictive" candidate, got three hundred and fifty votes less than Thornberg, the Radical candidate in 1867. Can Stokes charge that to the registration decision which admitted so many additional votes?

Reporter—What do you think, Governor, about what the "restrictive" party say concerning Governor Brownlow; about his having made a political somersault?

Senter—Political somersault! I tell you Mr. Brownlow is to-day as strong, as ardent and as unflinching a Republican as he ever was. In what has he changed? He is an enthusiastic Grant and administration man, and that's just what I am myself. Somersault, indeed! Why Brownlow is the youngest man of his age—if I may be permitted a seeming paradox—in the United States. He is a true, progressive Republican. Probably you remember the fact that he intimated in his message to the Legislature, in 1867, that the time would come when the franchise would have to be extended—that trust the State in the hands of men who had been connected with the rebellion—when, in fact, they had become loyal. At the late election he felt that that time had come, and he advocated the extension of the franchise. Was that making a political somersault? Stokes alleges that one of Brownlow's reasons for "going over" to our side was that he had three sons in State positions, well salaried, and he didn't want them to lose their places. The fact is, he has only one son in the said service of the State, and that son was given his position at my urgent demands, simply because he had worked so hard for the Republican party in this State, without reward, that I thought he ought to get something.

Reporter—Do you think that the new Legislature will disfranchise the negroes?

Senter—It will not even touch upon that subject. It will do nothing that the Republican party can call revolutionary; nor will it do aught that will injure vital interests of the State as they at present exist. The white people feel kindly toward the negroes, and Stokes did not speak truly when he said that they were beginning to persecute the blacks as of old. As for his talking about having the election multified by the Federal Government, that is all buncombe. The election is a fixed fact. It was as fair a one as ever was held in any State, and the General Government would have no more right to nullify it than it would to nullify an election in Massachusetts. The "restriction outrages and murders by "rebels" have become frequent, which is another falsehood. But two men have been killed in the State since the election, and they were men that voted for me, and they were killed while wrangling about politics by Stokes men, one of the murderers having been at one time an officer in his regiment.

Reporter—What about the Senatorial question, Governor? Do you think Andrew Johnson will win?

Senter—That question is rather mixed, so I cannot say anything positive about it.

Reporter—And that question of the finances—the repudiation of the new State bonds?

Senter—All I can say about that is, that that bond question is yet unsettled. The question of repudiation never came up in the election campaign and was never broached by either party; but I know that there are men in various parts of the State who wield very great influence among the people and who are advocating the repudiation of the new bonds.

The President has been severely censured by the Davis party in Texas for continuing in command of that Department Major General J. J. Reynolds, who, they assert, is in full accord with the Hamilton wing, and expects to be sustained by it as a candidate for Senator.

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WANTED—A young lady of experience wishes a situation as governess. She teaches music on the piano, the usual English branches, with rudiments of Latin and French. References given and required. Address, stating terms for ten months, Miss A. B. C., care of Captain J. B. Hope, Editor Norfolk Virginian, Norfolk. 1y28

WANTED—A horizontal engine, with boiler of the capacity of 8 horse power. Inquire at this office. 1y27

TUESDAY, : : : : AUGUST 31, 1869

NEWSPAPER SALES

For the quarter ending June 30, 1869, as reported to the U. S. Assessor:

AVALANCHE,	28,440 53
APPEAL,	4,501 79
SUN,	2,250 00
POST,	1,504 86

PEACE is bringing to our country, once more, the blessings of prosperity, and rich harvests are re-awakening inspiring hopes, and the future is smiling upon us with bright promises. How, under these reviving auspices, is the load of debt, which war has fixed upon us proceeding, and what progress, if any, is making toward its reduction and final extinguishment? These are questions of interest to every citizen, but the shape in which official reports respecting it are made, though usually plain to the initiated are very commonly as impenetrable to the multitude as if they were given with all the symbols of the calculus. We will endeavor to state the amount of a mass of figures lying before us, in a way that can be comprehended without difficulty, for it is important that every citizen should have some tangible idea upon a subject that has a personal, as well as a national interest. If, while the European Governments, including England herself, are at a dead lock with their national debts, the United States can proceed in a regular course of liquidation, it will be another laurel added to our National reputation, and one of the brightest and most gratifying we can gain. The 1st of September, 1855, found us owing a net sum of $2,757,689,571. This amount included $880,000,000 of seven-thirty notes, due at intervals extending to July, 1868, and $217,024,160 compound notes, altogether composing a floating debt of $1,047,024,160. The greenback circulation at that date was $433,160,569. In five months from that time, February 1, 1866, the debt was reduced to $2,716,898,152; $37,000,000 compound notes had been withdrawn, or funded; and the greenback circulation been reduced by nearly $10,000,000. In another month, March 1st, the debt was reduced to $2,711,850,000, and in seven more months, October 1st, to $2,573,335,942. The seven-thirties out had, at the same time, been reduced to $743,996,050, the compound interests to $155,512,140, and the greenbacks to $399,165,292 In one year from that time, October 1, 1867, the debt—not deducting the cash in the treasury—had been brought down to two billions four hundred and ninety-five millions two hundred and seventy-seven thousand four hundred and forty-six dollars; seven-thirty notes to $365,489,100; compound interests to $78,839,580; and greenbacks to $361,164,844. This was a decrease in one year of nearly eighty millions; over four hundred and fifty-five millions of floating debt had been paid or funded; and the paper currency had been curtailed of thirty-eight million dollars. By November 1, the debt was down to $2,491,504,450. This was going a little too fast, however, for in March, 1868, the debt had gone up to $2,519,829,622, but on the other hand eight millions more greenbacks had been withdrawn and nearly two hundred millions floating debt funded. The increase continued, and in October, 1868, the amount of the debt was $2,534,643,718, but there had been a further reduction of the currency, and the seven-thirty and compound interest notes had been funded. During the year the contraction of the currency amounted to $5,143,771, leaving 356,021,073 in circulation, against $433,160,569 in September, 1865. During October the debt continued to decrease, but in November it swelled again, and McCULLOCH'S policy of reducing the greenback currency was abandoned. By March 1, 1869, the debt had got up to $2,544,336,904, against $2,491,504,450 on November 1, 1867, but this increase included $53,937,000 bonds issued to the Pacific Railroad Company. Notwithstanding the increase, however, and the addition of the Pacific railway bonds, there was a total decrease of the debt of over $213,350,000, as shown in the following table:

	August 31, 1865.	March 1, 1869.
Old Bonds	$ 45,037,000	$ 27,691,000
War Debt	2,710,894,571	2,466,277,904
Total debt	2,756,431,571	2,493,968,904
Pacific Road Bonds	1,258,000	53,937,000
	$2,757,689,571	$2,544,336,904

Setting aside the Pacific railway bonds as a secured loan, and subtracting the new amount of "accrued interest," $53,742,522, the actual debt on the first of the present month, August, 1869, was $2,447,628,214, a reduction since the low point of November, 1867, of $43,656,228. As last year was the first year of recuperation since the war, and as a system of taxation had to be devised, and the arts of collecting it mainly learned, we may look with confidence to the existence of full power in the nation to deal with its debt in the future, when it could accomplish so much when laboring under the exhaustion and discouragement of a war, the expense of which has not only to be paid, but the devastation and loss to be borne by the country.

PARAGRAPHS have been "running the rounds" of the newspapers several weeks, to the effect that the astronomers have, for some years past, stated that this year a comet of extraordinary size would appear, and appear in a line crossing the earth's orbit, at the very period when the earth would be in that portion of her annual pathway round the sun, so that a collision was certain. So vast was to be the dimensions of this visitor, that the shock of its dashing against our world in space would be probably awful beyond contemplation. At all events the same comet has proved a mischievous visitor on previous occasions. In Greece and Rome fearful wars had signalized his direful visits, and in Persia sickness and contagion spread the horrors of the pestilence over the land, and death marched conqueror over thousands of victims. A comet that has so much vim in it as this, is certainly too important a body to be so nearly on a visit to our globe without being heralded by due announcement and awaited with respectful awe. But, except in the kind of paragraphs mentioned above, the approach of this sublime and powerful object has not yet been made known to the public through the scientific publications, nor has the comet even condescended, up to this time, to show his tail, or "shake in fearful might his horrid hair." This want of attention on his part is an ill-compliment to the paragraphs we allude to, which assure their readers that "it may be seen by the naked eye in the northern part of the heavens." "The northern part of the heavens" is a rather indefinite expression. "Scientific men" usually mention the right incursion and declination of such bodies when observed, or at all events the constellation in which they appear, and near what large star. As the accounts state the time of appearance to be between eleven o'clock and midnight, we know, of course, that it should be near the horizon, east of north, and beyond the circle of "perpetual appartion" of which the north pole star is the center. In vain have we watched this part of the heavens; the comet that is "several times larger than the earth" has not shown himself, nor has it "grown brighter and brighter as it approaches the earth." We must acknowledge, however, that we have conversed with persons who have seen the comet, and they caught sight of him just as he was without his tail. As these comet-seers find him shining not far from "the seven stars," or PLEIADES, it is evident that the planet JUPITER—which is visible in the east at eleven o'clock at night, and which is in the constellation TAURUS at the present time, not far from the PLEIADES—is the star that has been mistaken for the grand presager of wars and pestilence. Last night JUPITER and the moon were near each other in conjunction, and this evening the planet so many have mistaken for a comet will rise a little before the moon, which will be up by midnight The clear and brilliant light of JUPITER would never be mistaken, by one who was acquainted with the indistinct and hazy beam of a comet, for one of the latter class of bodies. We believe the world is generally wise enough to give up the notion that the appearance of a comet has any influence on wars or pestilence, but many believe the stranger whom, they are assured, "can be seen any clear night with the naked eye," is the cause of the very warm weather we have recently endured. This idea is a mistaken one; a comet has not matter enough in its composition to raise our temperature. A comet is a mere collection of matter in a gaseous condition, so rare that the stars, which would be hidden from view by a very slight cloud, can be seen through them. The earth would pass through, or impel from its course, the poor vaporous show, without danger or inconvenience to itself, just as our steamboats pass through banks of fog much more formidable and substantial than comets are. Comets make a grand appearance as they stream with rapid course along the sky, but the mere clouds the balloonist enters and passes through with ease, are tinted with the most glorious hues, and look as solid as the ever enduring mountains. How slight and unsubstantial comets are, is shown by the fact that a comet appeared in 1770 which revolved in a path that would have brought it back to the same spot every five years, but on leaving this portion of its orbit it got entangled among the satellites of JUPITER, was thrown completely out of its orbit, and has not been seen since. The moons of JUPITER *suffered no derangement* from the presence of the comet among them, but have ever since pursued their paths as before. Another proof of the incapacity of a comet to inflict injury by collision is furnished by the comet called BIELA'S comet, which was seen in 1772, 1789, 1795, and so on, and was particularly painted out by BIELA in 1826. In 1832 some shuddering was experienced by those who had not got over the old time terror of comets, from that comet crossing the orbit of the earth at a point where, if it had been there one month later, the earth would have driven completely through it. The poor thing got into some difficulty of the kind afterwards, for on its visit, in 1846, it was found to be *divided into two*, each part going on its own independent course. Some of the readers of the AVALANCHE, however, will wish to know what led to the statement being made that a comet was expected. We presume that those who have published the paragraphs alluded to, were aware that for some years past astronomers have been expecting the immense comet of 1556 to make its reappearance. It is generally spoken of as CHARLES the Fifth; that monarch having been frightened by it into resigning his sceptre and becoming a monk. What we have stated above shows how easily a comet may be diverted from its path, or delayed, or even split in two—so as the time is now gone by when the comet we mention should have arrived—if it had retained its former path and rate of traveling—it may never be seen again. It is known that comets decrease in bulk, owing to their slight gravity, and their matter probably becomes dissipated in space. It has lately been ascertained that some at least, of the comets followed through back as the records of "sidlingstars" which occasionally astonish us by their visits. Our space, however, forbids our entering upon this very interesting and suggestive part of the subject.

LETTER FROM ARKANSAS.

The Crops in Crittenden County—Colored Schools—Views of Governor Clayton on the Education of the Negro Race—The Example of Tennessee in Politics.

SCANLAN'S LANDING,
CRITTENDEN CO., ARK., August 28.

EDITOR AVALANCHE: I was thinking a brief missive of intelligence from this portion of our "Sunny South" would be acceptable to you and many of the numerous readers of your goodly and wide extended paper. I will endeavor only to entertain them with facts as to the condition of crops, etc., in this, my feeble attempt at communicating with the public at large of this section. The crops here are good, both corn and cotton. There is much need of rain here as elsewhere, as from statements received abroad in other sections. The heat seems to do the crops more serious damage than the want of rain, which is so excessive that it is almost unendurable by any one or anything. The corn is suffering most. In fact much of the corn here is past remedy; but King Cotton, who raised its royal head so proudly and defiantly a few weeks ago, disdaining any longer to cope with General Green, in the ascendency for landed possessions, has begun to droop, and looks rather worsted in consequence of an attack by another more oppressive and obdurate enemy—the blight—whose legions he heat. It certainly looks plausible for me to assert that it seems as though the South has many more and worse enemies to contend with than those of the North in her struggle to gain at least a firm national and financial basis for her future success of glory and greatness. At least, the steady farmer thinks so, and perhaps justly. Cotton here has begun to open, and planters begin now to prepare for the gathering of the great staple. The lack of hands is felt here as elsewhere, and this season there is no better portion of country to which hands might wish to come and do well. I judge that Major Scanlan, Messrs. Patton & Bro. and Mr. McNeffle, all neighbors, who have large, fine crops would hire and pay well all hands who are desirous of work the greenbacks, for they have plenty of such "trash" to dispose of in lieu for cotton picked. The colored people here have another great and useful advantage, that of a good school, and Major Scanlan and his neighbors speak of erecting soon a large and commodious school-house and church for the colored people, and allowing them many civil privileges not allowed in but few, if any, sections. Major Scanlan is certainly a gentleman and a scholar, and such is known of him, and by all he is considered one of our best and most useful citizen. None come to him wanting work but that they get it, if nature in clothes them; hungry he feeds them. He is school director for this district, and in the slack condition of the school arrangements of the school *concerns* of this State he hired a teacher and pays him out of his own personal funds; has established the school on his own farm, and if most of our large planters throughout the South would follow the Major's example, and hire our Southern boys to teach them—the colored children—they would be surprised at the result. I am the teacher here; am a Southern man, reared as delicately as any of our boys, under the influence of prejudice against the negro; having within me the same sensitive, chivalric feeling of the principles of honor, etc., and have had a great deal to overcome to conquer such, but have thus far succeeded, and have my school under good headway. The children seem anxious to learn, and progress rapidly. Major Scanlan has certainly laid a great and good example for our country's future good, if her people will only follow it, and abide better consequences therefrom.

It seems as though the world was in "topsy-turvy" about the comet now to be seen at night after midnight. Can see no comments of the papers concerning it. The ignorant and superstitious will receive it as an omen of evil, or the end of *Mater Terra*, while the learned and scientific will have fine chances for speculation and experiments of their greater genius. Some seem to think it has something to do with the present drought. I suppose, like many, that at no time of the world has the wickedness of its people been greater than now; and should God, in his mercy, pronounce our awful doom in such a visitation, woe! woe! unto many millions of poor souls to make their life-in perdition; but God forbid, and let us hope for the better. Tennessee is certainly lucky. Wonder if Ben Butler ever stole the spoon she was born with in her mouth? Guess not. Let us all do as Tennessee. If the glorious, hospitable and philanthropic people of Uncle Sam's domains wants many more such sinks of evil to their hideous and hellish intents toward the South as Mississippi has now, what will become of us, and the "comet," unless we, like her attempt at least to make an effective, sure and destructive dent (Dent) to all the Radical efforts of change! Bully for Mississippi! Bully for Dent, if he will only make a big hole through their infernal Ship of State, that is now bearing her down the tide of destruction. U. S. G. is certainly an unsafe guide for Uncle Sam. None speak well of him. The negroes can't hear of him, and they think he aims to trick them as Johnson did, as they say.

G. H. M.

Letter from Colonel Green Clay, Bolivar County, Mississippi.

EDITOR GRENADA SENTINEL.—*Dear Sir:* When, as an eligible and available candidate, I decided, at the solicitation of friends, to make the race for Congress in our district, the Conservative Republican movement was in its incipient state. At that time there was entertained little hope of good results from it. There seemed a glaring inconsistency in the attempt to identify the Administration at Washington with opposition to the work of its own hand in this State, and a servile compact would command no respect from a proud people. But when the leaders of the movement turned their backs on Washington, and appealed to the intelligence of the State in the exercise of its remaining liberties, to throw off a military rule which had trampled under foot every principle of Republican government, every sentiment of justice and decency—in fine, committed every act which defines a despotism—they exchanged the precarious life of administrative favor for the vitality of principles, and becoming the advocates of human nature, deserve the good will of all honorable men. It is a lamentable fact that the great mass of citizens who will only move in this election to vote the lesser of two evils, will have no active part in the choice of their candidates. The claims of those who have been elevated to positions of favor and influence by the arbitrary hand of power, must, I suppose, be paramount. Yet, I would fain believe the pride of freedom still has a home in the breasts of Mississippians.

With these considerations, and in deference to the views of the distinguished signers of the Conservative Address, I withdraw my name from the consideration of the voters of the Second District, hoping the National Union Republican Convention, which meets at Jackson on the 8th proximo, will put forward a candidate acceptable to the people.

Thanking you for the flattering terms in which you announced my candidacy, I remain, yours truly,

August 25, 1869. GARNER CLAY.

TELEGRAPH.

MIDNIGHT DISPATCH

NASHVILLE.

Indignation Meeting of Colored Citizens—A Forger Arrested—Great Excitement at Smyrna.

[Special to the Memphis Avalanche.]

NASHVILLE, August 30—10 p.m.—Considerable excitement prevails here with regard to the troubles in Rutherford county, where several negroes have recently been whipped by masked men at Smyrna and elsewhere. The negroes went to the polls armed, on election day, and were very turbulent in their conduct. This gave rise to a state of feeling between the whites and blacks which has been growing worse daily, and threatens to provoke a serious outbreak.

Saturday night cotton gins and barns were burned by the negroes in different parts of the county.

At least fifty negroes have already reached Nashville, bringing highly exaggerated accounts of the disturbances. This afternoon a largely attended indignation meeting of colored men of the city was held, and very intemperate language used. There was at first a disposition to disperse the assemblage, but better counsels prevailed.

It is supposed that the demonstration was gotten up by Stokes' supporters, who wish to produce the impression at Washington that the lives of loyalists are not safe under the Senter regime.

A young man from Huntsville, named Turney, was arrested to-day for attempting to pass forged checks on the Third and Fourth National Banks of this city.

Governor Senter will return Saturday.

[Associated Press Dispatch.]

NASHVILLE, August 30.—The weather is more moderate, with rains yesterday and to-day.

Nearly one hundred negroes have come to this place from the neighborhood of Smyrna, Rutherford county, and report that they have been driven away from home by bands of lawless white men. These negroes have been working on shares with planters, and they, as well as the planters, will loose heavily if they are not protected in securing the crop. A well known planter from that neighborhood, who makes about three hundred bales of cotton, has been threatened by the regulators, and was here to-day to see what can be done to protect himself and the negroes in his employ. Bands of lawless white men are operating also in Sumner county, visiting negro cabins, taking the negroes out and whipping them. The men engaged in this business are wholly irresponsible—will not work themselves, and desire to prevent others from enjoying the fruits of their labors. Governor Senter's proclamation warning them may have some effect, but it is probable that the planters will have to form combinations for self-protection.

JACKSON, MISS.

Military Outrages Exposed.

[Special to the Memphis Avalanche.]

JACKSON, MISS, August 30.—The following affidavit has been filed by J. R. Highgate, a colored man of Syracuse, New York:

"On Friday last I was decoyed to the headquarters of the Commander of the Post at Brandon, Mississippi, and there interrogated by Lieutenant Rosencrantz, Commander of the Post, as to the truth of having made an assertion that one Carliss Ames, Sheriff of Rankin county, was a thief, and ought to be in the penitentiary. Ames was at the time in military custody for larceny. I replied that I had made the remark. Rosencrantz then ordered me to be placed on a barrel, and kept there for seven consecutive hours, breakfast and dinner being denied me, and upon remonstrating I was bucked and gagged for twenty or more minutes, the gag hurting my mouth severely."

WASHINGTON.

A Cabinet Meeting—Internal Revenue Receipts.

WASHINGTON, August 30.—The President will return to-morrow, when a Cabinet meeting will be held. All the members are expected, except Hoare, Boutwell and Robeson.

Secretary Rawlings was at his office to-day.

NEW YORK.

Grant's Movements—Freight Rates Increased—Destructive Fire.

NEW YORK, August 30.—Slightly increased rates of freight have been adopted by the Erie and New York Central routes, viz: To Chicago, 43c; Cincinnati, 40c; Louisville, 55c, and St. Louis 58c, all rail.

The skirt and shawl factory of Wm. Hoffman, in West Chester county, employing three hundred hands, was burned yesterday. Loss, $60,000. Insured for $60,000.

ST. LOUIS.

An Express Robber Caught.

ST. LOUIS, August 30.—Jacob M. Bear, United States Express agent, and telegraph operator at Maconsville, Nebraska, absconded on the night of the 27th instant, with $12,000 belonging to the express company. Bear is the same man who was shot and robbed of a considerable sum of express money at Brownsville last October, and his last act has given rise to the suspicion that he shot and robbed himself on that occasion the express company offers $1000 for his capture and delivery, and $1000 for the recovery of the money.

HAVANA.

Progress of the War in Cuba.

HAVANA, August 30.—Letters from the jurisdiction of Calon state that the insurgents had left that quarter, going east, and taking with them all the slaves of the San'o Antonia estate. General Frilla, of Lagua La Grande, suppressed the insurgents at Ensecreka, Jada, and killed twelve of them.

A *Te Deum* is ordered to be sung in the churches of Puerto Principe for the disappearance of the cholera.

Captain Lercola, with one hundred men, has killed twelve rebels and taken thirteen prisoners near Cubitas.

The Diaro regrets its inability to send flattering notices regarding the suppression of the insurgents, but reiterates the statement that the Spaniards are in the ascendency in the Eastern and Central Departments.

BUFFALO.

Texas Cattle on the Rampage—Fatal Results.

BUFFALO, N. Y., August 30.—About seven o'clock this morning about ninety head of Texas cattle landed from the International Ferry-boat, stampeded in every direction through the streets, goring and trampling everything in their way. One man was tossed into Niagra street Park, one woman was fatally gored, and a number of persons were more or less injured.

FOREIGN.

False Cotton Reports—The British Press on the Byron Scandal—Health of Napoleon—Massacre of Missionaries in China.

ENGLAND.

LONDON, August 30.—The *Times* article on the Manchester Cotton Trade Reports says: "It is admitted that the returns of the sales of cotton at Liverpool were falsified every day last week, and the figures are really augmented to but little more than half those given to the public, and the result is something of a panic at Manchester, and for the present all confidence is lost in the truth of the returns from Liverpool, and there is no disposition to do business either on the part of the seller or buyer."

The article in the *Atlantic Monthly*, by Harriet Stowe, on Lord and Lady Byron, creates considerable excitement. The *Telegraph* comments editorially on it and says: "Without further explanation, this fearful story cannot be accepted as true."

The *Post* says: "The question arises whether, in the absence of authority, this article can be received as Lady Byron's own statement."

Authentic details of the war in Paraguay have been received. No operations have been attempted by the allies against the forces of Lopez, nor have the Paraguayans offered any opposition to General Partena's march on Villa Rica. The chief position of Lopez, on the Cordilleras, commands such a view that no movement of the allies can pass unseen by him.

The Pall Mall *Gazette* reports that in a large village in Russia 1700 persons, members of a fanatical sect, have burned themselves to death.

CHINA.

HONG KONG (VIA LONDON), August 30.—The reports of the massacre of missionaries in the Province of Syectecung are confirmed. Two hundred are known to have been killed by the populace.

FRANCE.

PARIS, August 30.—The following is official: "The condition of the Emperor grows more and more satisfactory."

THE RIVERS.

CINCINNATI, August 30.—Arrived: Leonidas. The river is falling; weather cool.

CAIRO, August 30.—Up: City of Cairo, three a.m. Down: Mohawk, five p.m. The river rose fourteen inches. The weather is cloudy and cool.

ST. LOUIS, August 30.—Arrived: Marble City. Departed: Belle St. Louis. Weather clear and pleasant.

THE GREAT INTERNATIONAL BOAT RACE.

Immense Excitement on the Thames—A Million Spectators—The Oxfords Win.

LONDON, August 27.—The excitement over the great international boat race has been intense. The banks of the Thames have been lined with spectators since an early hour this morning. The city has been almost deserted, and business quite neglected. Vehicles of every description, starting the Harvard and Oxford colors, and heavily laden with people, crowded all the roads leading to the course, and during the entire day the roads in the vicinity of Putney, Hammersmith, Chiswick, Barnet, Mortlake, etc., were thronged with pedestrians. The railroad companies found themselves almost unable to provide cars sufficient to carry the vast numbers in waiting at the depots.

It is no exaggeration. to state that probably a million people witnessed the race. The Harvard crew won the toss for position and chose the Middlesex side, the outside of the river circle. Both boats started at 5:14—6½. The tide at the start was sluggish and a light southwest breeze prevailed, with smooth water. The Harvards were the first to catch the water and took the lead, gaining rapidly upon their opponents, and making forty-five strokes per minute against the Oxford's thirty. At Bishop's Creek, three furlongs from the start, the Harvards led one-half a length; gaining headway, they increased their lead as they passed the Willows; their pace was subsequently slacked, and the Oxfords pulled up, but the Harvards were still three-quarters of a length ahead at Crab Tree, three-quarters of a mile from the start. Oxford now went on with a steady drag; but the Americans rapidly increased their lead, and at Crab Tree, a mile and an eighth from the aqueduct, were a couple of lengths ahead. Beyond here the Harvards were taken wide, and the Oxfords quickened their speed, making a reduction in the gap at the Soap Works, a mile and a half from the start, to half a length.

The Harvards now pulled up with a magnificent burst to Hammersmith bridge—a mile and three quarters—but in shooting the bridge, lost the distance they had gained. Opposite the middle wall the Oxfords spurted, and came up gradually to the Harvards, but when opposite the downs the boats were found to be too close together, and the Harvards gave way; and at Chiswick—two and a half miles—the boats were level. After proceeding fifty yards further the Oxfords began to gain, though temporarily, and the Harvards again got even with them. The Oxfords gained rapidly at Chiswick, where it became clear that the pace apparently told on the Harvards, who were rather wild at this part of the race. From this point the Oxfords rapidly drew ahead, and in a few strokes obtained a lead of two lengths; the Harvards rowing pluckily held them there for half a mile, when they fell astern, and the Oxfords, at thirty-eight strokes per minute, shot past Barnes' Bridge, three and five-eighths miles, three lengths ahead. Along Barnes' Beach the Harvards refreshed their stroke, Mr. Loring, with the river water, thereby retarding their boat.

The Americans then tried to spurt, but found the effort ineffectual, and the Oxfords getting more of a lead, eventually won the race by four lengths, easing up at the last few strokes and pulling up fresh. The Oxfords arrived at the ship at five o'clock thirty-six minutes and forty-seven seconds, making the four miles and a half in twenty-two minutes and forty and a-half seconds. The Americans were well received at the finish, and returning landed at Barn's, just twenty-three minutes and thirteen seconds afterwards. The messenger was obliged to carry the dispatch three-quarters of a mile on horseback, part of the way through dense crowds, to the nearest telegraph office at Mort Lake, and the actual time of transmission was only twelve minutes.

Recent heavy rains in northern New Mexico insure fine crops, especially of oats and wheat.

On Saturday last Mrs. Ames, residing at Mound, Ogle county, Illinois, administered poison to herself and to her little girl. The child died in fifteen minutes, and Mrs. Ames in about ten hours. There had been some troubles in the family, particularly between Mrs. Ames and her husband, and she took this way to end them.

The Beckham Habeas Corpus Case.

Judge Foute, of the Municipal Court, rendered his decision on Saturday, in Chambers, in reference to the jurisdiction of the court in issuing a writ of *habeas corpus* in the case of Colonel Thomas Dickens, now under indictment for the alleged murder of Wade H. Bolton. He commenced his elaborate opinion by referring to the antiquity and great importance of the writ of *habeas corpus*, and said that it was intended for the protection of the citizen. At no time, perhaps, had its application been more frequently, or more imperatively demanded than at present. Under such circumstances the courts, and the Judges of courts would not be justified in denying the writ, merely to avoid labor or responsibility. His Honor gave it as his opinion that the question of jurisdiction could be maintained on more than one ground as follows:

1. Being Judge of a court of Common Law and criminal jurisdiction, the right to award the writ, hear it and determine it, might be claimed as inherent jurisdiction.

2. The Code expressly confined the jurisdiction on all Law and and Criminal cases, and the Municipal Court, being a court both of Law and Criminal jurisdiction, therefore the jurisdiction in this case followed.

3. Section 43 of the act establishing the Municipal Court, in express terms applies the general law, as contained in the code, to the Judge of the court by declaring, "that the Judge" thereof "shall have power to issue writs of *habeas corpus*, and to hear and determine them."

The learned Judge contended that this was an express grant of jurisdiction. It was true that in section 43 of the Code other opinions were embraced, but they do not refer to the writ of *habeas corpus*, but to certain civil powers of the judges in chambers as to causes in his court, and the limitation upon the power of the judge to issue extraordinary process for other courts, and exercise the interchangeable powers conferred on judges and chancellors, had no application to the subject of *habeas corpus*.

Judge Foute therefore claimed jurisdiction in the case.

As the counsel for the State were not prepared to listen to proof, the further hearing of the case, with the evidence, was postponed till ten o'clock on Wednesday. It will therefore be necessary for witnesses to be in attendance in the Circuit Court at ten o'clock on that morning as above referred to.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

MAHLER—The friends and acquaintances of the late Frank A. Mahler, and his wife, Lizzie Mahler, are respectfully invited to attend the funeral of their oldest daughter, Lena, from their residence, No. 12 Union street, this, Tuesday, morning, at 9 o'clock.

REWARD.

$50 Reward.

STOLEN from my residence, on the Randolph road, three miles north of Raleigh, on Friday evening, the 27th of August, two (2) Grey Mare Mules, mostly white; one, medium size, branded H. W. on the left shoulder (H. very dim); the other, above medium size. Also, one two-horse Spring Wagon, from B. W. Pryor. Said wagon is considerably worn, and painted yellow. The above reward will be paid on the delivery of the property to me, or a suitable reward will be paid on delivery of either.
THOMAS ETHERIDGE,
aug31 Near Raleigh, Tenn.

AMUSEMENTS.

Grand Tournament and Barbecue
—AT—
Galloway Station,
ON MEMPHIS AND OHIO RAILROAD,
ON SEPTEMBER 9TH, 1869.

FOR the convenience of those wishing to attend a special train will leave Memphis at 8½ o'clock a.m., and return at 6½ o'clock p.m. Fare, $1 25 for the Round Trip. aug31

SCHOOLS.

Florence Synodical Female College.

THIS Institution which has long enjoyed a very high reputation among the Female Colleges of the South, is situated at Florence, Alabama, which is admitted to be one of the most delightful and salubrious towns in the South-west. It is very easy of access. A branch of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad runs from Decatur to South Florence. Its President, Rev. Dr. WM. H. MITCHELL, is well known as one of the ablest teachers in the country.

Next Session will commence on the EIGHTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER next. For further particulars apply to the President.

DISSOLUTION.

Dissolution.

THE copartnership heretofore existing under the firm name and style of Sturdivant, Saunders & Co. has been dissolved, by mutual consent.

The business will be continued by John N. Sturdivant, who will settle all claims against the House, and collect all claims due the same.
JOHN N. STURDIVANT.
J. S. SANDERS.
PHILIP R. JONES.
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NOTICES.

PRETTY WOMEN.

A COMPARATIVELY few Ladies monopolize the Beauty as well as the attention of Society. The might not to be so, but it is; and will be while men are foolish and single out pretty faces for companions.

This can, in a measure, be changed by using Hagan's Magnolia Balm, which gives the Bloom of Youth and a refined sparkling Beauty to the Complexion, pleasing, powerful and natural.

No lady need complain of a red, tanned, freckled or rustic Complexion who will invest seventy-five cents in Hagan's Magnolia Balm. Its effects are truly wonderful. To Preserve and Dress the Hair use Lyon's Kathairon.

COTTON AND COMMISSION.

OUR 30TH YEAR IN MEMPHIS.

TRADERS,
COTTON FACTORS
—AND—
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
No. 324 Front Street.

CONSIGNMENTS to us by river insured in C. our open policy. Orders promptly filled, and liberal cash advances on produce. A continual increase of our business is the best evidence of satisfaction given. aug31

R. S. JONES. W. N. BROWN
JONES, BROWN & CO.,
Cotton Factors and General Commission Merchants,
278 FRONT STREET,
MEMPHIS, : : : TENNESSEE.

WE are indebted for past favors, and trust, with our increased facilities, to be able in all respects to give satisfaction to our customers. Liberal advances made on consignments, and orders filled at the best market rates. Regular commissions charged. Consignments by river and it store insured, unless otherwise instructed. Having our own storage the season, and thereby giving our personal attention to handling Cotton, we can assure correct weights. Consignments solicited.
aug31 JONES, BROWN & CO.

GROCERIES.

FLOUR, PORK AND WHISKY.

THESE articles have largely advanced of late, but we find it difficult to realize the advance. We should, however, be able to realize cost with freight added, and in order to close out some consignments we offer at COST AND FREIGHT, 300 bbls. "Jo Davine" PORK, 600 bbls. WHISKY and 1000 bbls. FLOUR. Some of the flour is as good as Mauzontah, and we will sell it 81 lower. It is just received from the mills in "KENTUCKY." Most of our flour is sold at St. Louis prices. We are agents for millers, and sell on commission only. We guarantee all our flour to be fresh ground.
WOLCOTT, SMITH & CO.,
aug31 Nos. 8 and 9 Howard Row.

AMUSEMENTS.

"WILLETT'S"
No. 37 Adams Street,
Billiard and Bowling Rooms.

THE most elegant and complete establishment of the kind in the Mississippi Valley. The Tables and Alleys are new, and of the most approved pattern and make. Elegant private parlors for gentlemen. The Wines and Liquors are of the best quality.
aug31 J. H. WILLETT & CO.

FOR RENT.

Valuable Main Street Stand for Rent

WE will rent the elegant Storeroom, northeast corner of Main and Jefferson streets, recently occupied by us, for one year from 1st of September, if timely application is made and sufficient inducement offered.
aug27 ROTHER, TREZEVANT & CO.

OYSTERS.

T. H. LEWIS. H. CHAMBERLAIN.
T. H. LEWIS & CO.,
WHOLESALE DEALERS
—IN—
OYSTERS,
Chamberlaine's Wharf,
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.
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AUCTION SALES.

$10,000 WORTH OF
DRY GOODS, CLOTHING,
CAPS, ETC.,
AT AUCTION,
On Tuesday Morning, August 31, 1869,
AT TEN O'CLOCK A.M.,
Sale Positive—Terms Cash.
GOTTLIEB & ERKEIL, Auctioneers,
aug27 Corner Second and Adams street.

ROOFING.

O. H. BECKER. HARVEY WHEELOCK
BECKER & WHEELOCK,
Office and Warehouse, Exchange Street, between Front and the Docks, Memphis, Tennessee.

MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS IN
Roofing and Painting Materials.

WE WISH TO CALL THE ATTENTION OF the public and others to our
Excelsior Roofs.
We are now prepared to fill contracts for this popular Roof, at the low price of FOUR DOLLARS PER SQUARE.

SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.

This Roof is perfectly FIRE-PROOF, as was effectually demonstrated on the 26th of August, on Second street, in the presence of a large number of persons.

We will take contracts and put on any other kind of roofing that the builder may desire.

Excelsior Roofing Paint for Sale, at $35 per Bbl.

Paper Felting constantly on hand, and for sale at NORTHERN PRICES.

Tin Roofs painted at 75 cents per square. Apply to or address
BECKER & WHEELOCK,
aug27 Exchange street, Memphis.

BANKS.

Union and Planters' Bank
OF MEMPHIS.

Authorized Capital, - $1,000,000
Subscribed Capital, - - 671,300

Sixty per cent. of the subscribed Capital Stock will be in cash at Commencement, and privilege retained of calling the balance within four months.

WILL open to do a General Banking Business, on
SEPTEMBER 1, 1869.

At No. 16 Madison street, until completion of their new building, at No. 11 Madison street.

Prompt attention given to collections and remittances.

New York Exchange now for sale.

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Wm. M. Farrington, of Memphis, Tenn.
J. J. Rawlings, " "
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John Johnson, " "
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Wm. B. Grenslaw, " "
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Napoleon Hill, " "
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AIKIN & DRUMMOND,
(Successors to Pearson, Aikin & Co.)
LOUISVILLE, KY.

Sole Manufacturers of the Great Western Sugar Mills and Scantlin's Seamless Evaporators, Dexter Cider Mills, etc.
Liberal discount to dealers.
Steam Engines, Mill Work, and Castings of all descriptions.
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J. MORGAN COLEMAN, President. HARRY COLEMAN, Vice-President.

Kentucky Rolling Mill Co
No. 291 Main Street,

DAILY AVALANCHE.

TUESDAY, : : : : AUGUST 31, 1869

OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE CITY AND BOARD OF SCHOOL VISITORS.

Old papers, suitable for wrapping, for sale at this office by the hundred.

News in Brief.

We had the pleasure of a visit from A. C. Matthews, Esq., of the Des Arc *Citizen*, yesterday.

An attempt was made by two boys, on Monday morning, early, to burn a house in Scotland. Officer Smith detected them. He fired a few shots, and attempt to bring them to a halt. They escaped.

The first bale of new cotton from Marshall county, Mississippi, was received yesterday by Wolcott, Smith & Co. It was raised on the plantation of Colonel J. J. Milan, and is one of fine quality.

Our old friend, Jake Frolich, of the White county, Arkansas, *Record* is in the city on business connected with his paper. The *Record* has an extensive circulation in the White river country.

Information reached police headquarters yesterday that Mr. R. W. Pryor, living three miles west of Raleigh, lost two mules, two white mares and two spring wagons, on Sunday night, to the value of about five hundred dollars.

On Sunday evening a fire broke out at the corner of Seventh and Lang streets in a frame house, occupied by a family named Andreson, and owned by J. C. Decker. The house and outbuildings were burned to the ground. The family that lived there barely escaped with their lives.

Colonel John Donovan returned from an extensive *tour* through the North yesterday. He is looking as happy, healthy and jolly as ever. He reports that Memphis is generally quoted as one of the most rising cities of the country, and that we may anticipate a large emigration from the East and North during the coming fall.

At half past four o'clock yesterday morning some person entered a room over the store No. 11 Union street, and hooked all the clothing that could be laid hands on. The person, who appears to belong to that extensive class denominated "cullud," left a hat behind, by which he was identified, and the police think they have a sure thing of it.

In the County Commissioners' Court, yesterday, proposals for the purchase of the county ground on Adams street were opened. The principal bid was from Walcott, who offered $20,000—one-fourth in cash, the remainder on credits of one, two and three years, with interest. R. P. Walt had a bid in of $20,000—one-third down in county warrants, the remainder to be paid in six and twelve months in the same sort of money.

Clark, Ely & Co. received yesterday the first bale of new cotton from the large plantation of Mr. John J. Miller, near Friar's Point. It was of good quality, well ginned and baled, and was sold at thirty-four cents. Mr. Miller is one of the heaviest and most enterprising planters in Mississippi, and the firm with which he transacts his business is one of the best in Memphis. G. Falls & Co. bought this bale.

We call the attention of cotton growers to the announcemnet of Messrs. Jones, Brown & Co., in our advertising columns. This is a cotton firm of repute, do a large business in the staple. This year they have made arrangements for storage, and are prepared, with increased facilities, to extend their transactions in the cotton trade. Those wishing to make consignments of cotton to Memphis would do well to attend to the announcement of the firm.

Buy your F. Y. shirts and furnishing goods of the manufacturers, Wiggans & Thorn 233 Main street. tf

Young men's fall stylesilk dress hat, just received at Wheaton & Co.'s, 279 Main street, Handlan's old stand. 3t

LADIES, PLEASE TAKE NOTICE.—Just received, a large lot of hoop skirts, 50c each; another lot corsets, 81; besides, we offer entire stock at auction at bargains, to make room for fall trade. M. KRAUS & Co., tf Corner Main and Adams sts.

The evenings are now increasing in length, and all will want a good, safe light. Get the sun hinge burner, it gives the best light of any now in use. By calling at No. 40 Jefferson street you can be supplied. You can also get the stone fruit jar, best roach trap, coal oil and lamps, soaps, etc. 2t O. F. PRESCOTT & Co.

WHEATON & Co., fashionable hatters and furriers, have removed to 279 Main street, Walker block. 3t

Telegraphic dispatches from Philadelphia state that they are suffering for the want of water. No such condition of things ought to arise in our city as long as our community use the Balding's double-acting force pump. Mr. Piper is using one, and raises the water out of a well thirty-nine feet deep. He pumps up 3000 gallons each day. Call at No. 40 Jefferson street and see the pump. 2t

The particular attention of cotton factors is called to the notice in our advertising columns, put in by cotton merchants of Memphis. The design of raising three thousand dollars to be given as premiums to exhibitors of cotton at the Shelby County Fair to be held on the 25th of October, is a grand one, and will have a fine effect. If our merchants wish to make this *the* cotton mart there is no better way to effect it.

REMOVAL.—Wheaton & Co., hatters and furriers, have removed to 279 Main street, Handlan & Co.'s old stand. 1w

GENTLEMEN, PLEASE TAKE NOTICE. Just received, another large lot of British half hose, at 50 per dozen; gents' linen handkerchiefs, $4 50 per dozen; puff bosom shirts, $2; gauze undershirts, $1 25.
M. KRAUS, & Co.,
tf Corner Main and Adams sts.

Messrs. E. Curtis and David Gore, the well-known energetic railroad contractors, of Nashville, are at present on avisit to the city. They anticipate taking an interest in the contracts on some of the railroads projected to center in Memphis. From the efficient manner in which these gentlemen have carried out their contracts elsewhere, they are certain to prove an acquisition to this section of the State.

Elegant fall style silk dress hats, just received at Wheaton & Co.'s, 279 Main street, late Handlan & Co.'s stand. 3t

The Collector of Internal Revenue furnishes us the following information: "Dealers in tobacco having stock on hand manufactured prior to July 20th, 1868, unstamped, who have made no inventories to the Assessor, are liable to a heavy fine and imprisonment for *having it in possession*. The Commissioner of Internal Revenue requires the law rigidly enforced in all cases. Dealers having such tobacco on hand will do well to secure stamps for it immediately."

THE MAILS.—We thought that irregularities in the United States mails were confined to Tennessee. We have been victimized in every possible way, so long and so often, by most everybody who had it in their power to slather round the insolence of office, that we have become used to it, like the tough Hibernian ahanging, and take it ourselves as a matter of course. We were not aware that the mail officials in other States were not many degrees better than those here in Tennessee; but it appears it is so. A package of books arrived here yesterday from New York via New Orleans, that was just two weeks on the road, and this notwithstanding the directions were printed in large type on the package. Could not the Postmaster General drop politics for a spell and give a general looking into the mail service? The Paris *Intelligencer* inquires: "Why is it our Memphis exchanges come so irregularly? Sometimes several days intervene between the reception of any Memphis papers at our office, and then several of various dates will come in the same mail.

SAINT PATRICK'S CHURCH.

The New Building on the corner of Linden and DeSoto streets.

It is Dedicated with Beautiful and Impressive Ceremonies.

Eloquent Discourse by Bishop Feehan.

THE CHURCH.

The new church, which for some time past was being erected at the corner of Linden and DeSoto streets, under the auspices of Father Riordan, was completed on Saturday, the last touch being given to it as the shades of evening fell over the city. The building is a handsome frame, one hundred feet long and fifty feet wide, fronting on DeSoto street. The exterior is plain, the only attempt at ornamentation being at the main entrance, which is surmounted by a cross, and has something of the Gothic style about it. The interior has a neat and chaste appearance, the walls and ceilings being painted white, and the pews, wainscoating and other wood-work, tastefully grained. The roof is supported by two lines of pillars, that add to the beauty of the edifice. The sanctuary is separated from the body of the church by a handsome railing, that is really beautiful, and is a credit to the workman who executed it. Six rows of pews, with entrances from the middle on side aisles, have been erected, which, it is estimated, will seat about seven hundred people. Immediately over the main entrance is a gallery for the choir. The congregation, which it is designed to accommodate, number some two or three thousand souls. Of course, several masses will have to be celebrated on Sunday morning, in order to give all an opportunity of attending. Hitherto a number of Father Riordan's flock have been in the habit of attending Saint Peter's. They will now have the satisfaction of attending mass in their own beautiful little church, where Professor Salatzky has organized an efficient choir, has a neat little organ, a comfortable gallery, and everything, in fact, necessary to the production of the masses of the best composers.

THE DEDICATION.

About ten o'clock on Sunday morning a great number of people began to congregate in front of the new church to take a view of it outside, and admire its somewhat attractive exterior with its large, high windows and pointed roof, surmounted by a large cross. Among the crowd of comers were the members of the Sodality Band, with brightly shining instruments and glad faces. They took up a position across the street opposite the entrance to the church. At about eleven o'clock, the edifice being well filled, a procession started out from the vestry composed in this order:

Six Boys—the two in front bearing a large silver Cross.
Father Kelly,
Fathers Cook and Walsh.
Bishop Feehan and Father Riordan.

The procession walked down the middle aisle and out of the door of the church where the ceremonies prescribed by the Roman ritual for the dedication of a new church were at once commenced. At that hour the sun came down fiercely on the uncovered heads of the clergymen and the little boys that composed the procession, and the Bishop wisely decided to read the service instead of singing them, as is usually done. After offering a short prayer, which is always said in Latin in the ceremonies of the Catholic church, the Bishop sprinkled holy water on the building, repeating the psalm: "Sprinkle me with hyssop, O, Lord, and I shall be cleansed; wash me and I shall be made whiter than snow," the attendants (*clerci*) alternating with verses from the fifteenth psalm —"Have mercy on me, O God, according to thy great mercy." The band played, *Adeste Fidelis*, the procession then moved slowly around the building, the Bishop saying appropriate prayers appointed by the church for such occasions, and the attendants repeating the 119th, 120th, and 121st psalms, entering into the building by the same door at which the procession went up the isle, one of the attendant priests singing in a loud voice the litany of the saints, while another made the responses, going up the middle aisle to the latter; after which the procession spread out before the altar, the final prayers were offered, and the church was dedicated to St. Patrick and placed under his special protection.

Solemn high mass was then commenced, with Father Riordan as celebrant, and Fathers Cook and Fortune as assistants. During the celebration of high mass, was preached

THE SERMON.

After the gospel was read Bishop Fehan went upon the altar steps to preach the dedicatory sermon. Before commencing, he announced that the Catholic schools would open next Monday. He said, in this connection, that it was the spirit and practice of the Church for centuries to give a Christian education to her children. She was particularly circumspect on this point, never leaving the performance of that sacred duty in the hands of others. She regards the early training of her children as part of Christianity itself; and parents who would be wanting in a proper care of their children in this respect would be guilty of the most gross violation of their plain duty, for they were placed as a providence between God and their offspring, and would undoubtedly be held accountable to Him for the proper guardianship of the important trust He had placed in their hands. It was consoling to find, the Bishop remarked, that the Catholics of Memphis were truly sensible of their duties in this respect, and were making laudable efforts in behalf of the Church and for the permanent and solid reign of its teachings in the hearts of men. The beautiful little church which had just been dedicated to the service of the most High, under the especial patronage and protection of the great apostle St. Patrick, was a proof of this. The people were progressing in the grace of God and their love for His church, and he would be sure to reward them even in this life with the blessings of peace —that peace which, St. Paul says, exceeds all understanding, and is greater than all the combined good things of the earth. He would also bestow on them many gifts, which he has promised as a reward for a faithful observance of His law and a zeal for the propagation of the faith and the glory of His church.

He then read the gospel of the day from St. Mathew, and the text from which he preached the sermon, from the ninth chapter of the Third Book of Kings: "And it came to pass when Solomon had finished the building of the house of the Lord, and the King's house, and all Solomon's desire, which he was pleased to do, that the Lord appeared to Solomon the second time as He had appeared unto him at Gibeon. And the Lord said unto him, I have heard thy prayer and thy supplication that thou hast made before me. I have hallowed this house, which thou hast built, to put my name there forever, and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually." Thus God spoke to Solomon after he had completed the temple. We, to-day, with certain sacred rights and ceremonies which religion prescribes, have dedicated this church to God—set it apart for His worship, and henceforth it will be devoted to his service, to prayer and to praise. You have here the proper accompaniments of that worship; the music swells in his praise; the lights burn at the altar typifying His faith in our souls, and his minister is ministering thereat, offering sacrifice in acknowledgment of His supreme power over all things. This dedication is in accordance with the religious ideas and practices of man in every age. The very instinct of a God implies worship of Him. Who is God, is He not the great creator, the giver of light and life to all living beings? His providence governs all things, from the lowest worm that blindly and painfully crawls where it is fated to creep, up to a man, and still higher up to the angels that minister before the throne of His glory. All are equally depending on Him, and are under the jurisdiction of His law. God commands what is good and prohibits what is evil, and will reward and punish for what is done in the flesh. We must worship Him either under the attribute of His love or of His justice. A proud refusal to acknowledge Him is like the conduct of the rash traveler who refuses to go round the mountain, but blindly attempts to scale its craggy precipices and perishes in the attempt. God created us to His own image and likeness. We are depending on Him. We are indebted to Him for what we are, and everything that comes to us is from Him, and to render Him homage for what He has done is obviously our first duty. Our lives are in His hands, and each successive moment that we live is an additional favor from Him. He is the Supreme Ruler, and He must be obeyed. We cannot violate His law so as to effect Him. The sin must necessarily recoil on ourselves. He is the Supreme Judge. It is then, plainly, our duty to live properly, so that we may not come under the rod of His justice when we shall be tried. If we were, as some philo-ophers assert, beings of mere clay, only to live for a while, according to some random rule of existence, and then go down into the grave and perish—be completely wiped out of *life*, as if we had never been; if there were no resurrection, the soul to perish with the body, and there to be no hereafter, no judgement, no final accounting for our actions, then could man say he was independent of God and refuse to do Him homage; then there would be no protection on the one hand, nor obedience nor responsibility on the other; no law by which man would be held bound, no rule for his conduct, no criterion by which to judge of the justice or injustice of his actions, no right nor no wrong; and man would be less accountable than the wild beasts that roam the jungles, ruled only by his instincts and his appetites. But the Catholic church teaches that man is not perishable; that he is not made to pass away like a drop of dew that glistens in the great sphere of *being* for a moment and passes off without leaving a mark behind—leaving nothing but an imperceptible and purely earthly influence. It teaches that we pass from time to eternity, and that the soul is indestructable, eternal as God Himself, and must either live forever with the pleasing consciousness of having pleased Him, or with the torturing remembrance of having insulted Him by violating His law.

If we were as irrational beasts, without intelligence, then we could render no homage; but being endowed with reason and understanding, capable of knowing Him, we can worship Him. To refuse to offer this worship, when it is so eminently due, is a gross violation of duty, and renders us lower than the brutes. God can do without our homage. He is all sufficient unto Himself. We cannot do without it no more than the helpless infant can do without stretching its hands to a loving parent when in need or in pain. God is infinite, not like finite kings and rulers of the earth, whose happiness depends on the obedience of their subjects. He is all powerful, and our rebellion cannot effect Him or take anything away from His infinite happiness, nor for a moment weaken His transcendent glory. Our homage is not demanded by Him as a thing that He needs, as something that would make Him richer, but it is demanded according to His laws, which are given for *our* benefit. But God does not withdraw Himself from us when we violate His law. He could not renounce His children, for He loves them with an infinite love, and He never ceases to take care of them until they pass beyond the earth when, according to His divine economy, the period of rewards and punishments has arrived. While we are here He takes care of us. His Providence watches over us with tireless regard, always anxious for our salvation, and ever ready to lend a succoring ear. Do not imagine that God will become wearied with our petitions. Picture to yourselves a great and benevolent man full of power, wishing to spread happiness around him by comforting the afflicted, helping the weak, enriching the poor and invigorating the sick; the petitions for assistance pour in upon him from every side. An importunate crowd press around him; the demands upon his charity far exceed his power to bestow; he becomes wearied, and he cannot serve a tithe of those who come for help, and many have to go away empty. This is a sad disappointment, and one which the weak and insufficient in nature must experience when it depends on earthly succor. It is not so with God. His power to bestow far exceeds the demands that are made upon Him. He can give always and still be infinitely full; and He can and will give just the things that we want, and at the time that we want them. The best king in the world, with ample means to relieve the necessities of his people, would be sure to fail even in the limited sphere of his little domination. He could never hear the complaints of half his people, and he could relieve but a very few. He could have but a limited knowledge of his subjects. But God sees all and knows all, and can grant the petitions of all. Then fear not to weary Him with much importunity. His love is like the vivifying rays of the sun that warm into life the modest flower whose tender petals blush unseen in the hidden vale; and at the same time they give vigor to the mountain pine that stretches his lofty head above regions of eternal snow; that paint the flowers and give sweetness to the fruits of the earth, and that dance upon the crest of the ocean billows, and glisten in the ripples of the brook. His love reaches into the heart. We have nothing but what we have received from Him. How poor we are! We can give Him nothing but what we have received from Him. How just it is then to worship Him, as we are from Him and of Him. The poorest and most despised among us is not unworthy of his regard. Nothing in the world, no matter how apparently great, noble, or dignified, is so worthy in the sight of God as the humblest of human souls, because that human soul is capable of knowing Him and rendering Him homage. Man measures the stars; looks through the creation, and observes the laws by which worlds are governed, and through them he sees God. In them he discovers the presence of Him by whom they were made. When he does this is he not filled with awe and admiration, and would he not be doing violence to his heart if he refused to bow down before that great wisdom and power? We see even in this way how the idea of a God implies worship of Him, and that homage is a necessity. But God has revealed himself to us so that by the eye of faith the poorest mind, the dullest intellect, may see Him and do Him honor as acceptable as the homage of the proudest intellect. Thus are we compelled to acknowledge that man, while he is a rational being, is of necessity compelled to be a religious one. There never was a people without a religion of some kind. All the nations of the earth offer homage to a supreme being. Among many their belief is mixed with error. The idea which has its double origin in ancient revelations and in nature is distorted and corrupted by human passions and by the power of the evil one. It is right and most reasonable to worship Him everywhere and always. In the crowded city and in the solitude of retirement; in

DAILY AVALANCHE.

Arrival and Departure of Trains.

MEMPHIS AND CHARLESTON RAILROAD.

	Arrive.	Depart.
Through Mail	7:30 p.m.	10:30 p.m.
Through Express	4:00 a.m.	6:00 a.m.
Junction accommodation	9:30 a.m.	1:30 p.m.
"		5:00 p.m.
Somerville	8:45 a.m.	9:45 a.m.
"	6:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.

Junction accommodation train makes connections South with Mississippi Central.

TICKET OFFICE, 23 Main street.

MEMPHIS AND LOUISVILLE RAILROAD.

	Arrive.	Depart.
Day Express	11:40 p.m.	7 a.m.
Night Express	4:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m.

Sleeping car attached to Night Express train for which goes through to Nashville, via Paducah and Northwestern Railroad, without change.

Railroad time fifteen minutes faster than city. Ticket office No. 2074 Main street; depot at head of Main street.

MISSISSIPPI AND TENNESSEE RAILROAD.

	Arrive.	Depart.
N. O. Mail (daily)	7:45 p.m.	11:00 a.m.
Express (daily)	6:30 a.m.	4:30 p.m.

Mail train makes direct connection for New Orleans and all points South.

Orleans and all points South.

Express train makes direct connection for Coffeeville, Water Valley, Oxford, Holly Springs and all points north of Grenada on Mississippi Central Railroad.

Ticket office, 277½ Main street, and at the Depot. Omnibuses will call for passengers and check baggage in any part of the city, by leaving orders at 277½ Main street.

MEMPHIS AND LITTLE ROCK RAILROAD.

To Madison and Little Rock, Ark.

Going East—Leave Forest City	6:00 a.m.
Arrive at Hopefield	9:30 a.m.
Going West—Leaves Hopefield	2:00 p.m.
Arrive at Forest City	7:00 p.m.

Daily, Sundays excepted.

H. D. WILLIAMS, Gen'l Agent and Sup't.

Arrival and Departure of Mails

DEPART—For Chattanooga, Richmond Washington, New York, Baltimore and all cities East and South, Columbus, Ga., and Montgomery, Ala., and all stations on the Memphis and Charleston, Mississippi Central, Mobile and Ohio, Nashville and Decatur, Nashville and Chattanooga and East Tennessee Railroads at.....11:30 a.m.
Arrive at.....2:30 p.m.

DEPART—For Cairo, Chicago, St. Louis, Nashville, Louisville, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Pittsburg, Philadelphia, Buffalo, Albany, New York, and all cities North and West, at.....2:00 p.m.
Arrive at.....12:40 p.m.

DEPART—For New Orleans, Baton Rouge, Jackson, Vicksburg, Natchez, and all cities South at.....10:45 a.m.
Arrive at.....3:00 p.m.

DEPART—For all Stations on the Mississippi and Tennessee, New Orleans and Jackson and Southern Railroads, at.....10:45 a.m.
Arrive at.....3:00 p.m.

DEPART—For all stations on the Memphis and Louisville and branch Railroads at.....3:00 p.m.
Arrive at.....1:30 a.m.

DEPART—Memphis and Little Rock Railroad. Little Rock, Madison (Sundays excepted), at.....5:00 p.m.
Arrive at.....4:00 p.m.

DEPART—For Marion, Wittsburg and Claibourne, Ark. (tri-weekly) Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at.....11:00 a.m.
Arrive at.....5:00 a.m.

DEPART—For Olive Branch and Pigeon Palis, Miss. (semi-weekly), Monday and Friday, at.....5:00 p.m.
Arrive at.....4:00 p.m.

DEPART—For Cuba and Big Creek, Tenn. (weekly) Friday, at.....11:00 a.m.
Arrive at.....10:00 a.m.

DEPART—For Little Rock and Helena, and all landings on White river (semi-weekly) Tuesday and Saturday, at.....4:00 p.m.
Arrive at.....3:00 a.m.

DEPART—For Pine Bluff and Helena, and all landings on Arkansas river (tri-weekly), Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at.....4:00 p.m.
Arrive at.....3:00 a.m.

DEPART—For all landings on the Mississippi river, south, (semi-weekly) Tuesday and Saturday, at.....4:00 p.m.
Arrive at.....3:00 a.m.

DEPART—For all landings on Mississippi river, north, (semi-weekly) Monday and Thursday, at.....3:30 p.m.
Arrive at.....9:00 a.m.

JOSIAH DELOACH, Postmaster.

RATES OF POSTAGE WITHIN THE UNITED STATES.

LETTERS.

The rate of postage on letters within the United States is three cents for every letter or sealed package weighing one-half ounce or under, and three cents for every additional half ounce, or fraction thereof. Prepayment with stamps in all cases is required.

TRANSIENT MATTER.

The postage on Pamphlets, occasional Publications, Book Manuscripts and Proof sheets (corrected or not), Maps, Prints, Engravings, Blanks, Flexible Patterns, Samples and Sample Cards, Photographic Paper, Letter Envelopes, Cards, Paper, (plain or ornamental), Photographic Representations of Different Types, Seeds, Cuttings, Bulbs, Roots and Scions, is at the rate of—

	Cents.
One package, to one address, not exceeding 2 ounces in weight	2
One package to one address, over 4 and not exceeding 8 ounces	4
One package, to one address, over 8 and not exceeding 12 ounces	6
One package, to one address, over 12 and not exceeding 16 ounces	8

All matters to which no specific rates are assigned shall be, if forwarded in the mail, at letter rates of postage.

BOOKS

Books not exceeding 4 ounces in weight to one address	4
Books over 4 and not exceeding 8 ounces	8
Books over 8 and not exceeding 12 ounces	12
Books over 12 and not exceeding 16 ounces	16

UNSEALED CIRCULARS.

Unsealed circulars, not exceeding 3 in number, to one address	2
Unsealed circulars, over 3 and not exceeding 7	4
Unsealed circulars, over 6 and not exceeding 9	6
Unsealed circulars, over 9 and not exceeding 12	

TERRITORIAL.

The postage on books, printed and miscellaneous matter for the Territories west of Kansas is, from this date, at the same rates for such matter elsewhere, and not at letter rates, as heretofore. Postage rates are now equal throughout the United States.

QUARTERLY POSTAGE.

The quarterly rates of postage on newspapers, sent to subscribers, is on each four ounces or fraction thereof, five cents for weekly, ten cents for semi-weekly, fifteen cents for tri-weekly, and thirty cents for daily publications. On magazines and periodicals, for each four ounces or fraction, one cent on quarterly, three cents on monthly, and six cents on semi-monthly publications. Advance payments, either at the office of mailing or delivery, will be required.

MONEY ORDER OFFICE.

The money order system is recommended for its superiority, as a safe and cheap method of transmitting small sums through the mails. Orders will be issued in sums not more than $50. Larger amounts can be transmitted to the same person, at the same time, by additional orders.

RATES.

On orders not exceeding $20	10 cents.
" over $20 and not exceeding $30	15 "
" $30 " " $40	20 "
" $40 " " $50	25 "

The money order office will be open from 9 o'clock a.m. to 4 o'clock p.m.

WEIGHT OF PACKAGES SENT BY MAIL.

Section 16, act of March 3, 1865: That no Postmaster shall receive, to be conveyed by mail, any packet or package, which shall weigh more than four pounds, except books published or circulated by order of Congress.

PACKAGES TO SOLDIERS.

Articles of clothing, being manufactured of wool, cotton, or linen, and comprised in a package not exceeding two pounds in weight, addressed to any non-commissioned officer or private serving in the National armies, may be sent by mail at the rate of 3 cents for every 4 ounces or fraction thereof, to be in all cases prepaid.

FOREIGN RATES.

BELGIUM OR THE NETHERLANDS.

[By Closed Mail via England.]

ON LETTERS—15 cents per single rate of 15 grammes, (½ oz.) prepayment optional, but unpaid or partially paid letters subject to a fine on delivery.

ON NEWSPAPERS—4 cents each if not exceeding 4 oz. in weight, and an additional rate of 4 cents for each additional 4 oz. or fraction thereof, prepayment required.

ON BOOK PACKETS, PRINTS OF ALL KINDS, AND PATTERNS OR SAMPLES—8 cents per oz. or fraction thereof, prepayment required. If, however, the postage on any article shall be insufficiently prepaid, it will be nevertheless forwarded to its destination, charged with the deficient postage, and also subject to a fine on delivery.

NORTH GERMAN UNION.

(Including all the German States and Austria.)

[By Closed Mail via England.]

The rates are the same as to Belgium and the Netherlands, with like conditions as to prepayments, etc.

EAST INDIES.

[Via British Mail.]

ON LETTERS—28 cents per ½ oz. via Southampton, and 38 cents per ½ oz. via Marseilles; prepayment compulsory. Newspapers, 6 cents; books, 14 cents.

CANADA.

ON LETTERS—6 cents per ½ oz. if prepaid, and 10 cents per ½ oz. if unpaid.

BREMEN AND HAMBURG.

[By Direct Mail.]

LETTERS—10 cents per ½ oz. prepayment optional, but unpaid or partially paid letters subject to a fine on delivery.

NEWSPAPERS—2 cents per 4 oz. or fraction thereof, prepayment required.

Books, Packets, Prints, Patterns and Samples—6 cents per 4 oz. or fraction thereof, (as if sent in closed mail via England.) prepayment required. But if unpaid or partially paid, they will be forwarded, subject to a fine on delivery.

The registration fee on registered letters or other postal packets is 8 cents in all the above mentioned countries, prepayment of postage and fee compulsory.

GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

Half ounce letters, 12 cents prepaid, subject to a fine of 5 cents additional if unpaid; newspapers, not exceeding 4 oz., 2 cents each.

Book Packets (including printed papers of every kind, music plates, prints, engravings, drawings, photographs, lithographic sheets of music, etc.) and Patterns and samples of merchandise (including seeds and grain) when not exceeding 2 oz., 4 cents; exceeding 2 oz. and not exceeding 3 oz., 6 cents; exceeding 3 oz. and not exceeding 4 oz., 8 cents; exceeding 4 oz. an additional rate of 4 cents for every 4 ounces or fraction thereof. Prepayment required.

FRANCE.

Letters, quarter ounce, 15 cents; half-ounce, 30 cents; Newspapers, 2 cents; Pamphlets, 4 cents per 4 ounces.

SWITZERLAND AND ITALY.

[In Closed Mail via England, Belgium and Germany.]

On Letters—15 cts. per ½ oz. or fraction thereof, prepayment optional; but unpaid or insufficiently prepaid letters are charged, on delivery in addition to the deficient postage, in the country of destination.

On Newspapers—2 cents each for 4 oz. or fraction thereof, prepayment required.

On Books, Prints of all kinds, and Patterns or Samples—8 cents per 4 oz. or fraction thereof, prepayment required.

MEXICO.

Letters, not over half an ounce, 10 cents Newspapers, 2 cents; Pamphlets, 4 cents per ounce.

NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW FOUNDLAND AND NOVA SCOTIA

For any distance not over 3,000 miles: Letters, half an ounce, 5 cents prepaid, in cents unpaid. Newspapers, 2 cents; Pamphlets, 2 cents per 4 ounces.

For any distance exceeding 3,000 miles: Letters, 10 cents; Papers, 2 cents; Pamphlets, 2 cents per 4 ounces.

REGISTRY OFFICE.

Valuable letters for any part of the United Kingdom (Canada, Great Britain, the Italian states, exclusive of the German-Austrian Postal Union), will be registered on application at the office. On letters to Liverpool, or any part of the German-Austrian Postal Union, or Greece, the same to be forwarded by Bremen or Hamburg line, or French Mail, each.....

Financial and Commercial.

DAILY AVALANCHE OFFICE,
MONDAY EVENING, August 30, 1869.

In the department of dry goods boots and shoes there are indications of reviving business, but, as a general thing, the trade of the city is about as light as usual at this season, and it may be said the markets are without features of more than ordinary interest. Dry goods and boots and shoes are firm, and advices from the East point to an advance in the latter. We omit quotations this week as things in this line are just now in a transition state, or between two seasons, with nothing of importance transpiring. Hay and grain are scarce and firm and there is an upward tendency in bran. Flour moves slowly but the stock of reputable brands is light. Country produce is in better demand both for local and shipping trade. The provision market is dull and low prices have been shown where holders have forced sales in order to realize. The money market is close and accommodation is in steady demand, as a consequence of which exchange is held less firmly. Counter rates for exchange are as follows:

	Buying.	Selling.
New York	par	¼ prem.
Cincinnati	"	½ "
St. Louis	"	¾ "
Louisville	"	¾ "
New Orleans	¼ dis.	¾ "

Coin is inactive both in buying and selling, though rather firm at the late advance, which was chiefly due to improved crop prospects in Europe. Dealers bought gold to-day at 132@133 for small amounts offered at the counter and sold at 133½@134. It opened at 133½ in New York and declined to 133½, then advanced to 134 and at the close was quoted 133½.

Scrip is inactive, though there is moderate sale for county and police, and is quoted nominally as follows:

	BUY'G.	SELL'G.
City Warrants	75@77	80
City Balances	75@77	80
City Coupons	75@77	80
County Warrants	68@69	70@72
Police Warrants	75@77	80

There was no movement whatever in stocks or securities and rates are nominal. None appear on the market and there is no demand of consequence. In New York Government securities were firmer and fairly active, closing as follows:

Bonds of 1881	112½@112¾
5-20s of '62	112½@112¾
5-20s of '64	109½@109¾
5-20s of '65	109½@109¾
5-20s, new, of '65	111½@111¾
5-20s, new, of '67	111½@111¾
5-20s, new, of '68	111½@111¾
10-40 bonds	110½@110¾
Pacific 6s	103½@103¾

Railway and express shares were steady and closed without material change, quoted as follows:

Canton	53
Western Union Telegraph	37½
Quicksilver	25½
Pacific Mail	78
Adams Express	50½
Wells & Fargo Express	19½
American Express	23½
United States Express	11½
Merchants' Union Express	11½
New York Central	211½
Erie	18½
Hudson	184
Reading	95¼
Michigan Central	120
Michigan Southern	93½
Illinois Central	137½
Cleveland and Pittsburg	106½
Chicago and R. I.	95½
Chicago and N. W. preferred	94¼
Cleveland and Toledo	117
Rock Island	114½
St. Paul	77
St. Paul preferred	87¾
Fort Wayne	122
Ohio and Mississippi	32½

Erie was 32¼ on the street.

A Washington correspondent gives the following interesting intelligence with regard to the crops:

From the August reports on the growing crops, received at the Department of Agriculture, it appears that New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware, in the East; West Virginia, Kansas and Nebraska, in the West; and Arkansas, Alabama, Louisiana, Florida and Texas in the South, are the only States which claim an average or fine, in condition, of the corn crop, as compared with the same date last year, with a slightly increased acreage in New Jersey and Pennsylvania, six per cent in Nebraska and West Virginia, thirty per cent in Kansas, seven per cent in Texas, and ten per cent in Florida, and a somewhat decreased acreage in Arkansas, Louisiana and Delaware. In the great corn producing State of Illinois, the average estimate of condition in about sixty counties falls fully thirty per cent below last season at same date; Indiana, the second State in production, puts the figures nearly as low; Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota rate twenty to thirty per cent below last year; Ohio twenty per cent below; Iowa twenty per cent; Missouri, Kentucky and Tennessee ten per cent. The New England States range from 10 to 15 per cent below; New York twenty to twenty-five per cent; Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi and Tennessee ten per cent, and South Carolina thirty per cent below. Texas promises twenty per cent better yield than last year, with an increased acreage as noted; and Kansas and Arkansas 10 per cent better than last year. In few of the larger States will the increase or acreage make up for decrease in general condition, while in several of the largest corn-growing States the acreage has been reduced from last year, owing to the very unfavorable spring; hence it seems hardly possible that a crop equalling that of last year can now be made under the most favorable future, while the indications are that the yield of the season will fall considerably below that of 1868. Drouth has done much damage in some sections, succeeding the excessive rains which had previously retarded the growth of the crop. Favorable weather henceforth with late fall, do much for the general yield, but a short corn crop appears inevitable. Illinois and Indiana produced about one-fourth of the crop of the whole country last year, and now threatens to reduce their product 25 to 35 per cent. Ohio, Iowa, Missouri, Kentucky and Tennessee, which raised one-third of the crop of 1868, promise a decreased yield of from 10 to 20 per cent. The season, which has been unpropitious for this great national crop, has, however, proved favorable to most others, and though the corn be cut short there must be abundance in the land.

While all the cotton States except Georgia and Florida reported the condition of the cotton crop in July as considerably below the average of the crop of 1868 at a corresponding date, nearly all now report an improvement upon the estimates, and several of the more important regions report the condition as better than in August of last year, the weather having been generally propitious, and the injury by the worm comparatively inconsiderable, though there is no lack of apprehension of damage from the latter. Mississippi, the largest producer of this staple, with an increase of one per cent. in acreage, reports the condition fully up to that of last season at that date. Georgia, condition equal to last year, with fifteen per cent increase in acreage; Louisiana, ten per cent better in condition, and fifteen per cent increase in acreage; Arkansas and Texas report condition above average, with twenty per cent increase of acreage in the former and thirty per cent in the latter State; and Florida, condition above average, with twenty-five per cent increase. On the other hand, North Carolina reports the condition five to ten per cent below last year, though the increase of acreage, ten per cent, balances the loss; Tennessee alone reports decreased acreage, and also reports condition ten per cent less than last year. Alabama, with eight per cent increase in acreage, places the condition of the crop ten per cent below that of last year; South Carolina makes the worst showing, reporting the condition twenty-five per cent. below the crop of last year, but with an increase of seven to ten per cent in acreage. In spite of the uncertainties of weather and the danger of damage by insects to which the crop is subject, it is yet too early to estimate the production of the year with any degree of certainty; but it is reasonable to anticipate, with an average increase of acreage equal to fifteen per cent, a yield fully up to the figures of 1868, which reached 2,500,000 bales, and there is nothing in the present prospect to discourage the present expectation of a considerable increase, which alone can be prevented by some signal disaster from weather or destructive insects.

With quite a large increase in the area planted in potatoes, this crop promises a largely increased yield over the product of last year. New York and Pennsylvania, which produce nearly, if not quite, one-third of the entire crop of the country, report an increase of three to five per cent in acreage, with an advance of ten to twelve per cent in general condition and promise. Ohio reports six per cent more acreage, and about fifteen per cent better in condition; Illinois, ten per cent better; and ten per cent more acreage; Indiana, a slight increase in acreage, but ten per cent advance in condition; New Jersey, twelve per cent larger acreage, and condition fifteen per cent above last year; Maine, Vermont, Michigan and Wisconsin are the only States which report decreased acreage, and the crop, without unforeseen casualties, must be large.

The tobacco crop is not promising so great a yield as last year. Virginia, the largest producer, reports the condition as ten to twelve per cent less promising than last year at the same date, with a decrease of seven to ten per cent in acreage. North Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky have part in an acreage six per cent larger than in 1868, but report the condition as five to ten per cent below last year. Maryland and Indiana report an average acreage and prospect. Illinois and Ohio five to ten per cent decrease in acreage, and about five per cent decline in condition. Connecticut reports thirty per cent increase in acreage, with average condition.

The spring sown wheat is generally yielding well, though in some sections it falls below an average. In Illinois the returns indicate a product thirty to forty per cent. below last year's crop. In the Northwest, however, the yield is reported much better, as also in the New England States, and in Northern New York, where the spring varieties are grown. The results of the wheat harvests, both fall and spring varieties, though not yet estimated, were approximated, and will, doubtless, be found to considerably exceed the yield of 1868. The spring grain is not all yet garnered. Buckwheat appears promising everywhere, with about an average crop.

Cotton Market.

The demand was rather better today, notwithstanding closing advices from Liverpool were depressing, but there was little cotton on the market, and business was therefore on a very limited scale, at 31½@32c for low middling and 33c for middling, with two bales strict middling at 34c. The Liverpool market closed weak, with uplands 13¼d. The New York market closed firm, at 35c for uplands on the spot, but weak for future delivery.

Ten bales of new cotton have been received since Saturday.

The rains of the past few days have done much toward refreshing the crops, and cotton particularly is reported as doing well. In some sections the corn has suffered very much from the late drought.

COTTON STATEMENT.
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
MEMPHIS, August 30, 1869.

Stock on hand Sept. 1, 1868	47
Received to-day	10
Received previously	247,622—247,632
Exported to-day	
Exported previously	247,626—247,626
Stock at noon this day	53

The receipts for the week are 80 bales and the exports 75 bales, against 77 bales received and 128 bales exported last week and 9 bales received and 1 bale exported week ending August 29, 1868, making receipts since September 1st, 247,632 bales, and exports 247,606 bales against 258,175 bales received and ——— bales exported corresponding period last season. Stock 48 bales against 48 bales last week and 61 bales in 1868.

The following table will show the monthly receipts both for this and last season:

	1868-9	1867-8
September	2,525	5,304
October	43,051	21,781
November	49,307	40,791
December	46,468	46,650
January	35,468	47,019
February	25,757	37,502
March	30,067	30,754
April	14,007	2,679
May	1,351	1,794
June	1,162	521
July	1,285	209
August 30	279	79
Total	247,632	253,175

According to Easton & Co.'s New York cotton circular of the 21st inst. the receipts of cotton at all United States ports for the week aggregated 1207 bales, and the exports 3385 bales, making the total receipts since September 1st, 2,042,058 bales, and exports 1,438,626 bales, (987,273 to Great Britain, and 450,753 to the Continent,) against 2,092,695 bales received and 1,633,865 (1,220,227 to Great Britain, and 404,638 to the Continent) corresponding period last season. It will be understood, of course, that these figures do not include the overland shipments. The statistical position of cotton is given as follows:

	1869.	1868.
Stock in Liverpool	329,000	510,000
Afloat from India	550,000	562,000
Afloat from America	30,000	6,000
Stock in London	30,000	44,000
Afloat for London	30,000	104,000
Stock in Havre	57,000	57,000
Afloat for Havre	158,775	172,000
Stock in Bremen	8,100	10,857
Afloat for Bremen	4,500	13,000
Stock in United States ports	10,494	51,324
Stock in the interior towns	1,111	3,573
Total	1,168,009	1,586,154
Deficiency in visible supply	358,095	

Stock of cotton held by Manchester spinners at the mills, now 140,000 bales, same time 1868, 125,000 bales. Middling Orleans, now 14d; then 10½d.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

LIVERPOOL, August 30—11:15 a.m.—The cotton market opens dull at 13½d for middling uplands and 13¾@13¾d for Orleans. Estimated sales for the day, 5000 bales.

4 p.m.—Cotton market closed a shade easier at 13½d for middling uplands and 13¾@13¾d for Orleans. Sales for the day, 6000 bales.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, August 30—10 a.m.—Cotton market opens quiet. Middling 34¼.

5 p.m.—Market closed firm on the spot and for future delivery. Ordinary, 30¼@30½; good do., 32½@32¾; low middling, 34@34½; middling, 35@35¼; good do., 36@36½. Sales to spinners, 876 bales; to speculators, 114 bales. Contracts were made for 100 bales, deliverable in September, on private terms; 50 bales, November, 27½; 150 do., December, 28¼; 100 do., December, 29¼; 100 do., January 30½.

GENERAL MARKET.

APPLES—Good shipping are in demand at $2@2 50 per bbl loose, for Southern market. In a jobbing way the various qualities are $2@3 50 per bbl, shipping order.

ALE, BEER, ETC—Market quiet, as follows: Madison & Walker's ale per bbl, $8; do. per ½ bbl, $4; do. per bbl, extra quality, $9 75; do. per ½ bbl, $5; Stockton's ale per bbl, $6; do. per ½ bbl, $3; Burton ale per bbl, $6; do. per ½ bbl, $3; do. per bbl, pale, $10; do. per ½ bbl, $5; Burton ale or old brown stout, $8; do. per ½ bbl, $4; Scotch ale and porter, pints per doz, $3 25@3 50; quarts, $4.

BUTTER—Choice Western is in fair demand at 38@43c, but inferior is neglected and nominal.

BROOM CORN—In demand at $200 per ton, with improving receipts.

BACON—Inactive and weak. In store city cured clear sides and shoulders are 16½@16¾c and 19½@20c, with choice canvassed hams 24@24½c; but country cured are 1@2c lower. A consignment of city cured clear sides was forced on the market at 19c.

BALING STUFFS—Bagging is steady with heavy generally 22@23c, though we learned of sales at 24½c; light, 19@21c; iron ties, $140 per ton; rope nominal.

BEESWAX—In demand at 35c per lb.

BUILDING MATERIALS—Market quiet and steady, as previously described. Brick, $8 per M; plaster, $4 50@5 per bbl; hair, $2 75 per bale of 40 lbs; fire brick, $50@6 per hundred; cement, Hydraulic, $2 75@3 per bbl, and Rosedale scarce; lime, Cape, $1 90@2; Alabama, scarce; Ohio river, $1 50, and Utica, $2 75 per bbl.

BRISTLES—Dealers sell at 15@16c.

COFFEE—Market quiet and steady with Rio ranging from 20c for inferior to 27c for strictly choice, the latter scarce.

CORN—Receipts light and sales of shelled on levee were generally at 85@87½c and in store at 90@92½c, shipping order. A small consignment of ear corn was sold on levee at 80c.

CORN MEAL—A consignment of 40 bbls green was sold on levee at $4 25 and resold at $4 35, the latter being inside price at mills. Kiln dried is preferred and commands $4 65@4 75 at mills and in store.

COTTON SEED—Common is in demand at all factories at $15 per ton.

CRACKERS—Baker's prices by the package are as follows: Pilot bread per lb, 5c; butter crackers, 6½c; water do, 6c; soda do, 7@8c; Boston do, 8c; picnic do, 8c; sugar do, 14c; ginger do, 14c; lemon do, 14c; cream do, 14c; carraway do, 17c; macaroni snaps, 35c; cracknell biscuits, 28.

CANDY—Prices are unchanged. In lots to the trade stick is 18@19c and plain fancy, 21@22c.

COTTON YARNS—Quiet and firm. We quote: No. 700, 17@18c.; No. 600, 19@20c.; No. 500, 21@22c.; No. 400, 23@24c.

CANNED GOODS, PICKLES, SAUCES, ETC—Inactive and generally nominal. We quote cove oysters, 1 lb. cans, $1 55@1 60 and 2 lb. cans $2 55@2 60 per dozen; spiced, $4 50@5 50; lobsters, 1 lb. $2 25; condensed milk, $14 50 per case of 4 dozen; tomatoes, $2 25; peaches, 2 lbs., $4 35@4 50; pears, $3 50 strawberries, $4; pineapples, $4 25@4 50; cherries, $3 75; brandy peaches, scarce; brandy cherries, $6@6 50, sardines per case, small, $19@19 50; large, $22 50@23; pickles, in jars, pints, per dozen, $2 75; quarts, $3 75; half gallons, $5 50; pepper sauce, per dozen, $1 25@1 50; tomato catsup, $1 25@2 50; genuine Worcester sauce, $5; imitation, $3@3 50; lemon sugar, per dozen, $4 50@6.

EGGS—In light supply and firm at 23@25c per dozen, though inactive.

FLOUR—The market is poorly supplied with desirable brands but at the same time there is but a light demand and sales are mostly of a trifling character, to meet immediate requirements. Sales to-day were 120 bbls at $5 for common to $9 for choice family.

FREIGHTS—Rates nominal. Uncompressed cotton is taken to New York by rail, per cent. Other lines offer to carry compressed cotton via Cairo at 60c to Baltimore, 70c to Philadelphia and 80c to New York, exclusive of insurance.

GREASE—In demand at 9@10c per lb.

GUNNIES—Dealers sell second hand at 15@17c, and refused at 16c.

HIDES—In demand for shipment. Dealers pay as follows: Flint, 20@21c; dry salted, 17@18c; green salted, 10@10½c; green, 9c; deerskins, 25@30c; sheepskins, 25c@$1 each.

HAY—Scarce with demand brisk. A consignment of 48 bales loose pressed timothy was sold on levee at $23, quality not known.

LARD—The market is steady but inactive. We quote store prices: City rendered, in tierces, 21@21½c; in kegs, 22@22½c; in caddies, 23c.

LEATHER—Market quiet. Oak sole 2 lb, 42@46c; hemlock sole, 25@30c; French calf skins 9 dozen, $50@8 6 American do., $30@50; linings per doz., $8 50@12; toppings, $13@15.

MOLASSES—Inactive and unchanged, ranging from 50 to 90c per gallon, as in quality.

NAILS—Inactive at $4 50@4 60 rates.

ONIONS—Market bare.

OILS, ETC—Quiet and unchanged. Prices by the barrel are as follows: Carbon per gal, 33@34c; raw linseed, $1 15; boiled linseed $1 20; train, $1 15; gnat, 90c; lard, No. 1, $1 50; lubricating, 50; tanner's, $1 15; turpentine, 65c.

OATS—Scarce and firm at 65@70c in store. On levee there were sales of 40 sks poorly cleaned, at 60c and 91 sks good at 61c.

POTATOES—Choice Tennessee are steady at $2 50 per bbl, but a consignment of Missouri was offered at $2 and no takers.

POULTRY—Supply light and large chickens and hens range from 45@50 25.

PORK—Market inactive with mess in store $35@35 50 per bbl and other descriptions nominal; sny prime mess, $32@32 50 and rumps $29 per bbl.

RICE—The market is quiet, with Carolina 10¼c and Louisiana 9@10c per lb.

SHOT AND LEAD—Drop per bag, $3@3 10; buck, $3 35@3 40; bar lead, 11@12c per lb; pig lead, 11½@12c.

SODA—Inactive. American, 6@8c; English, 7@9c, in various packages.

SPICES—Garrett's bottles, ¥ case, $13 90@16.

STARCH—Morgan's, 6@6½c; Fox's, 6¼@7c per lb.

SOAP—Proctor & Gamble's German mottled, 10¼@10½c; Schaefer's German, 9½@10; yellow erasive, 8½c.

SUGAR—Inactive and unchanged. Open kettle Louisiana, 12¾@15½c; clarified, 15¾@17c; hard refined, 17½@18c.

SALT—The market continues quiet and prices unchanged. Ohio river, 280 lb bbls, $2 50@2 75; large do, $3 30@3 50; dairy, 280 lb bbls, $3 50@3 75; large do, $4 50@4 75.

SPICES—Nutmegs per lb, $1 55@1 60; cloves, 55c; pepper, 37c; cayenne pepper per box, 1 65; alspice per lb, 35@36; mustard, choice Kentucky, per lb, 50; in ½ lb and 60c in 1 lb cans.

TAR—Quiet. Pine, per dozen kegs, $5 25@5 50.

TALLOW—In demand for shipment at 10c per lb.

TIN PLATE, ETC—I C, 10x14, per box, $15 50; do 14x20, $14; I X, 10x14, $16 50; do 14x20, $17 50; block tin, per lb, 49@50c; pig lead, 11½@12c.

VINEGAR—Home factories sell at 20@30c per gallon for common to choice, without charge for bbls.

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ELECTION.

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WILL reopen her school for boys and young ladies, at her residence, No. 31 Wyoming street, on

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Corner of Poplar and Alabama,

MRS. MARY E. POPE, Principal, will open for boarding and day scholars the 1st Monday in September. No boys over ten will be received. No pupils taken by the month. aug15

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THE next session of this School will begin on MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1869.
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THE Fall Session of this well-known Boarding and Day School will commence on

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THE Fall Session will open on WEDNESDAY, September 1, 1869.

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Mrs. Emily B. ARMOUR, Principal.
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